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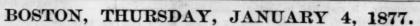
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THE ALMIGHTY LOVE.

BY REV. GEORGE LANSING TAYLOR, D. D. When great storms of woe o'ertake us, When great desolations come, When great shocks of sorrow shake us, When bereft of friends and home. When from love's communion driven O'er earth's desert, bleak and broad, -Strength and joy shall still be given Through the mighty love of God

When life's waste and wintry ocean Stretches desolate before, Tossing wild, in fierce commotion, Far between us and our shore, Then, like glorious suushine beaming From the opening sky above, Down through all our hearts comes stream

God's unclouded, quenchless love. When we yield up all for Jesus,

When each earthly trust has flown When God's eye, omniscient, sees us Stricken for truth's sake alone, Then on us His heart is yearning. All His tender mercies move, All His boundless love is burning,-What can vanquish suc a love!

What shall shake our trust, deep-founded In Jehovah's truth and might? Though with gloom awhile surrounded, Morn shall break and bring us light. All our fear and tribulation

Vanish at His sovereign nod. Lean our hearts for consolation New Rochelle, N. Y.

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THE BEGINNING.

without beginning of days or end of surroundings were beautiful beyond turning the scale at two hundred: inyears, unchanged and unchangeable, compare; the finished earth and the tellectually, also, not suffering by comfrom everlasting to everlasting," "the fair heavens were his; but in the cen- parison with any body of workers in same vesterday, to-day and forever," tre of all he himself stood - the lord of humanity's busy hive. Hutchinson, The creation began. "In the begin- the creation, a splendid specimen of Cox, Robinson, Nickerson, Streeter, ning God created the heavens and the what the Creator could do, beyond the Beale, Husted, Randall, Bray, Baker, earth." Out of nothing He made this little work of making the worlds. If Sanderson, and scores of others - par mass of common matter known as these had any significance, beyond nobile fratrum - all heroes in the great "the heavens and the earth." There what might belong to a gorgeous play- fight, nearly all discharged and crowned. was no order, nor beauty, nor furni- house, it was borrowed from those There was no crowd of people except on ture, nor fashion, to anything; indeed, high and holy relations in which man Sunday, as the Conference was always there was nothing.

form and void, the stamina of future dismal and disasgrowths were all blended together. Exerting His own power in a series of Exerting His own power in a series of Late years the Missionary Society itself, ble being and the companies of the M. E. Church; though of late years the Missionary Society itself, recognizing the immense Importance of the Hindi. It publishes, also, a Sunday-school and that society and the Sunday-school and that society itself, leaves, 1,150 of the Urdu, and 750 of the tree of procured a practical organic operator to take it to pieces, box it, and set it up. The members sharply as they passed in and the Sunday-school and that society is series of Sun violent agitations, God expelled the vapors, separated the fluids and the solids, which, together with certain fiery particles, made up the compound of the original chaos, and, obediently to His fiat, the dark earth was illuminated. Then He set the firmament—nated. Then He set the firmament—nated is not a minister for the coming year. As I substituted a committee from a charge in the set to pieces, box it, and set it up. It is written in the records of the creation out, as though searching for a lost friend, or taking the gauge of their night, when we took the key-board into the sleigh, and arriving at the chapel, sleigh, and arriv a vast expanse separating the water of the seas and the clouds—and this He seas and the clouds called heaven. Then the waters found they paralyzed him as with a night- that they initiated the modern practice cying him saying to himself, as a sly wise — on the whole, a very fair betheir places, the continents and islands appeared, the great lights blazed in the sky, and, under the creative impulse, sky, and, under the creative impulse, sky, and their places, the continents and islands appeared, the great lights blazed in the sky, and they paralyzed him as with a night-that they initiated the modern practice that they initiated the modern practice. with song and shout of morning stars and sons of God, the worlds started off, plunging into the untraveled pathways of the untraveled pathw

to run together, in a passion for conwhole creation groaning and travailold and faithful friend, Rev. Dr. Samman came to set it up. The great sementioned translations of Butler's
many years to come, we can assure
loveth beauty, who Himself is beautiful in
loveth beauty, who Himself is beautiful in course, into visible and orderly forms, the attraction might have been uncertain as some modern free-love affinitions. Through the attraction might have been uncertain as some modern free-love affinitions. Through the attraction might have been uncertain as some modern free-love affinitions. Through the design of that the ological and other nuts we so odists have got an organ!" Through the design of the portunity. The Method the ological and other nuts we so odists have got an organ!" Through the design of the portunity. The Method the ological and other nuts we so odists have got an organ!" Through the design of the design ties; a law of repulsion might have set in, and, in a few weeks or months, the whole system might have been broken whole system might have been broken in the system might have set in the system might have been broken in the system might have been broken in the system might have set in the system might have been broken in my study?

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Christianity in the form of Letters to Indian Youth, Wayland's Moral Scillates been broken in my study?

builded, with burning sapphires and are. The winds-these sound His praise. sitting on a pile of "cotton cuts," was myself. I had seen it taken down, and of about one hundred titles now upon beir to. Its final lean earthward was thus, heaven above heaven, firmament and sick at heart that he is out of tune referred to at the head of this article, possess the wreck. on firmament, rose in order and beau- with everything. ty, to justify the power and wisdom of And so the Creator has laid the whole heart warmed at once toward the fresh METHODIST EPISCOPAL PUBLISHthe great Creator. He looked upon universe under contribution, to bring to younglad, as I remembered how re-His finished work, delighted to say of man that which he had in the beginning, cently I myself was a friendless boy it, in the presence of the intelligent with superadded glory. Redemption seated upon a shoemaker's bench, with universe, "It is good." Thus the be- in Christ Jesus makes possible a second never a helping hand extended to me. ginning was good — supremely good; creation, with promise and prospect George was a natural musician — a and for thousands of years we have transcending the first. The second be-self-taught and fine performer on the been studying the wonders of law, and ginning was under Bethlehem's illumi- melodeon, but not a Christian; but ere life, and love, unfolded amid the mys- nated midnight, and the startled air long he sought and found the great

teries of that beginning. its appointed place; if every fish and Jesus. Then will man take up his tion of the courtesy. denced the goodness of the original be- millennium outlasts a moment. ginning, then, be it remembered, these were but lower parts of that stupen dous whole of which man was the crowning glory. Not to the lower creation alone, did the Creator give a good nature and communicate a good impulse at the beginning, but to man as of the Keene Sentinel, containing, on well, and more eminently and espe- the first page, a "memorial sermon, cially to man. Within the depths of delivered in the Protestant Episcopal ciples and powers, adequate to carry rector." I do not propose, in this artihim, along with the rest of the crea- cle, to review the sermon of the rector, tion, to a destiny inconceivably mag- which was a very good discourse, but then man stood originally prominent awakened by the familiar name of its in the Congregational Church!" in the visionary foreground, while author. everything above, around, beneath, Instantly, as by an electric flash was fashioned and positioned with reference to him. And if now he appear that faithful custodian of the soul's treas-

of the trackless space. This was in the beginning, and it was the beginning, and its magnificence who can imag
And its magnificence who can imag
whether they had any special industriction of the beauty of the palace of some Eastern king, roofed with encount of the standard Catechism, Discitoned the standard Catechism and the st in the beginning.

It was a good appointment for me street and silence their Jew's-harp?

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compend also come under this might be found the explanation of the that beginning, with the history of all at least, for which I trust I was thank- Brother Hastletine, who went into the gory. Mr. Wesley's sermon on the to clear off the debt that rests on the home from school. Beauty for the creation's long continuance. Had it the generations, black with cruelty and ful; and, moreover, if I was sent there city with his span of horses in the morn. New Birth, and Brother Historian the dect that rests on the valid, who gazes sorrowfully out at the winner and the generations, black with cruelty and ful; and, moreover, if I was sent there city with his span of horses in the morn. New Birth, and Brother Historian the dect that rests on the valid, who gazes sorrowfully out at the winner and the generations, black with cruelty and ful; and, moreover, if I was sent there city with his span of horses in the morn. come of chance, the various essences crime, intervening; with every heart against their remonstrance, I forgive ing, brought it out late in the evening, on Church Polity were very early put ing apparatus, of which there is at pres- wealth, who dash by you in the sumptu and particles of matter happening to be, and then happening to each other, and then happening to take a like them heartily; or if by their agency, I and Carter, George and the writer were into Urdu for the guidance of the native ent a total lack. If any benevolents are total lack. If any benevolen

ORGANIC EXCITEMENTS.

BY REV. M. TRAFTON, D. D.

I received yesterday by mail, a copy

the only object out of place in the pict- ures, unlocked a little cabinet, the door ure, it is not that the creation is disor- of which bore the date 1840 - thirty-six disturbed the prevailing harmony, and my readers the contents of a roll therein marred the beauty of the scene. If contained, written, like the prophet's, man be in ruins now, it is because, "within and on the back side," but not, like a wandering star he has revolted like his. "lamentation, mourning as from that law and order of life given woe," but rather "joy, labor and suc-

Everything but God begins. He is way to eternal glory. His material proportioned physically, many of them stood to universal matter. And if in secret session, the business going on Even when the earth was without man's momentary present be bad, or direct to its close. Work and mount

as " George," on that pile of cloth. My

ringing with the rejoicing of the angels. treasure. Should he see this, he will publishing houses in Germany and And man's beginning was equally Humanity waits now in suffering ex- doubtless recall the scene in that grove good. He was the consummate flower pectation the final outcome of this be- of spruces, where we wrestled together of the creative plan and work. If ginning. The first, so far as man is in prayer for the pardoning grace of matter, under its various forms, started concerned, proved a failure; the sec- the Saviour. I received him into the into being with laws of motion and life, ond will eventuate in recovery, more or Church, and he has since preached in giving to it an inherent, harmonious less numerically complete, but actual a pulpit I was filling, though the terriimpulse and power; if every stone and and eternal, to all who shall have re- ble "canons" of the Church of his substar, having its own law, dropped into ceived the redemption that is in Christ sequent adoption prevent his reciproca-

fowl knew instinctively where it belonged; if every shrub, and flower, and ginning, is now, and ever shall be, built upon leased ground, and seating tree, each after its own kind, began to world without end." Thank God! the only about two hundred and fifty; and be in natural and native fullness of beginning is begun, with evident signs we soon began to agitate the enterprise stature and strength; if, in short, every that the new creation will surpass the of a new and larger church. In the vilobject in the creation, below man, evi- old, as summer surpasses winter, or a lage was a new Congregational church; and, as in all other places, there was a sharp rivalry, and, I am sorry to say, there was not much hesitation in taking off a shingle from a neighbor's house to stop a leak in ours.

A wonderful revival was soon in full force, such as I never before witnessed. Business was suspended in many instances, and the whole village was stirred to its foundations. In the mean his godlike being, He implanted prin- Church, by Rev. George W. Brown, time a lot was purchased, and our new house commenced.

One day Brother S. C. Brown came to me with the startling announcement: nificent. If the creation be a picture, to follow the train of reminiscences "George is going to play the melodeon " No, this can't be."

"Yes," said he, "George is crazy to play an organ, and they have promised contracted with Edwards, of Portland, to construct one in three months. In

into hostile fragments. But when God, its way, marching, as at the first, to the carappa. A warm welcome awaited the astounding tidings flew. The en- ence, and Henry's Christian Treasury. having made the worlds, flung them rhythm of its own music. Storms, us, and we were soon settled in our trance of the famous wooden horse into Commentaries have been prepared on having made the worlds, flung them rhythm of its own music. Storms, us, and we were soon settled in our trance of the famous wooden horse into Commentaries have been prepared on than from the intrinsic excellence of the famous wooden horse into Commentaries have been prepared on the from the intrinsic excellence of the famous wooden horse into Commentaries have been prepared on old llium, or the news that fell like a Revelation, Genesis, John's Gospel, On the wall above my desk, as I word. There is a power going forth from

ING HOUSE OF INDIA.

BY REV. JAMES MUDGE.

Broadway no acquaintance with the had been most energetically carried torward by the India mission. Verily we have been neglectful of our duty. We should long before this have set forth a complete account of the Indian Book Concern. We hasten to supply the omission, trusting that some one will call the attention of the editor of the Almanac to our article.

A printing press was set up at Bar eilly in 1860, under the care of Rev. J W. Waugh, who remained its superintendent for eleven years, being follow ed in 1871 and 1872 by Rev. J. H. Messmore, since which time it has been discussion of current questions. in the hands of Rev. T. Craven. The early records of the mission are somewhat defective as to this department of tracts, primers, Sunday-school books, and various forms of the sacred Scriptforthcoming and materials supplied. The difficulties to be overcome in conmany and great; but by hard, persistplace for itself.

In 1866, it was deemed best to effect Back we went to S., got our officials This pays high rates of profit, and thus dence that its prosperity is on a substan-brings. Don't lean! together, stated the case, and secured a materially increases the funds of the tial basis. vote to purchase. An injunction of secreey was imposed, especially upon the creey was imposed, especially upon the

brilliant stones. The columns of its The seas — they roar their hallelujabs a fine-looking boy of fifteen or sixteen assisted the man to set it up, marked his the list. Considerably more than half its appointed lot. support were strongly formed, and able to His name; and all things but man, yet to hold its piled and pillared greatness. Dook. Walking up to him, my chap-The beds of the starry constellations ing hymn. Man alone has lost the key were well planned and planted. The and spoiled the song, his own harsh who plays our chapel melodeon; this did, George and I, and nothing was infloors of the Milky Way were laid with infinite perfection of power and skill. their profane discords. He stands sole me to introduce to my readers the populations of sor-The golden clouds of covering brightness were accurately balanced, and the presence of creation's harmonies, Episcopal Church in Keene, N. H., ally into vogue more widely as pos- which a bountiful Providence lays at sessing many manifest advantages over our feet, cause our hearts to stoop from the written character of the country.

So much in the line of books. Sometion, it being more especially adapted ness and death. to the non-Christian public. It was So, too, neglects are leanings to mornamed the Sun. Both papers were al falls. The omissions of secret prayer, carefully edited, grew in favor with though only slight deviations from a the people, and accomplished much greater integrity; the Word of God less good. The Sun now appears as a fort- frequently read; an increasing, easynightly, and the Star as a weekly, giv- going habit regarding social and public ing increased attention to supplying worship, are solemn prophecies of that the native Churches with the fresh news awful utterance by the great Judge at of the day, and affording a field for the the final account, "Ye did it not!"

In 1871 the Mission made still anoth-

married men. The next morning early tions from the American Bible Society. Hindi and English, the International found us in the city and the trade com-

LEANING.

BY REV. Z. A. MUDGE.

good beginning, according to which notes of discord; they are but the loud, favor of "parsonages furnished" is thunder-clap upon the ears of the allies and the Gospels of Matthew and Mark. write, is a picture of the historic elm of large natures that has they have continued, through cycles and ages of orderly and harmonious the stars—these shine more of the mighty organ the pair of the mighty organ the convenient term personal magnetism."

This latter is an adaptation to India, by or the convenient term personal magnetism. The stars—these shine the convenient term the convenient term personal magnetism. The stars—these shine the convenient term personal magnetism. The stars—the convenient term p dovement.

Whichever way we look, whichever way we look with the decay of birds—they sing in our woods, as blithe learning of the veneral three learning of the veneral thre way we project our fancy or our thought, there we find ample evidence that the creation was well begun. The foundations of the earth were well stinctively blessing Him whose they

their heavenward aspirations.

Let not the young Christian lean thing, too, has been done in the way of towards doubtful practices nor destructperiodicals. In 1868 the Mission de- ive neglects. Every such movement cided that " a monthly paper be issued carries the heart away from Christ, its We have been not a little surprised in Roman Urdu about the size of the centre, and creates a tendency to a to notice, in looking over the Methodist Missionary Advocate, said paper to be spiritual fall; just as the removal of the Almanac for 1876, that while mention a repertory of news from our various centres of gravity from the trunk of a was made of the Methodist Er scopal stations, adapted to the wants of our tree, made to feel the strain of its woody native Christians, and simple enough burden, tends to its injury and final China, and even of the very recent un- for Sunday-schools." A paper answer- destruction. Books read which deaden dertakings of that sort in Mexico and ing substantially to this description, spiritual sensibility, though not very Sweden, there seemed to be at 805 and called the Christian Star, was at noticeably wrong; companions chosen once commenced. In 1869 the Mission whose intimacy lessens religious enjoyfact that for sixteen years publishing also ordered the publication of an ment, though not esteemed bad comevangelistic monthly newspaper in pany - are leanings which bring down, lithographed Urdu, designed not only little by little, the fair proportions of for subscribers but also for sale by col- the Christian life; and the unsymmetporteurs, and for gratuitous distribu- rical piety thus formed tends to rotten-

Our times have afforded many sad

examples of giant oaks in high places er venture in journalism, though this of state, and goodly cedars in Zion untime not in its corporate capacity, but der whose branches the lambs of Christ its work, but we believe the first pub- through the private enterprise of two had sought shelter, which have startlication issued was the smaller Cate- of its most energetic members. Rev. led the nation by their seemingly sudchism of the M. E. Church. Hymns, J. M. Thoburn, and Rev. J. H. Mess- den and ignominious fall. We say more of Lucknow, feeling that the seemingly sudden, because, no doubt, country needed a paper that should be there had been long-indulged leanings ures followed as fast as funds were able to speak out with clear, decided which were seen by only close observvoice, not only in the interest of mis- ers. The extravagant living beyond sions and religion in general, but of honest means; the assumption of social ducting the infant enterprise were total abstinence and every other high position not warranted by legitimate reform, began the Lucknow Witness, on resources; the resort in business emerent work they were surmounted, and their own individual responsibility. It gency "just for this once," of some sly to have one built; indeed, have already the press made a larger and larger was issued the first year as a fortuight. deceit of the same moral character and ly, and being sprightly, yet able, in leading to forgery, or money borrowed tone, thoroughly alive and remarkably without the ewner's consent, were undered, but that man's transgression has years since. In this paper I present to the mean time George is to play their a removal to Lucknow. The wisdom cheap, became at once a decided suc-doubtedly back of the final prostration. of the transfer has been fully justified, cess. The second year it was published If the "great elm" had begun to lean in "Go and get your overcoat while I in the greater facility which the larger, weekly, and steadily increased its cir- its early maturity, it would have had "Go and get your overcoat while I put Charlie into the sleigh," said I. "Let us go to Portland. We'll see about this organic movement." weekly, and steadily increased its carry inatural, its early inaturaly to him when he began to be. There is no debate necessary. His beginning of debate necessary. His beginning was, like that of the rest of the creation, good. He was made upright, and started bis Maker on the pathway to eternal glory. His material want of the rest of the creation, good way to eternal glory. His material want of the rest of the creation, good way to eternal glory. His material want of the rest of the creation of the pathway to eternal glory. His material want of the rest of the creation of the pathway to eternal glory. His material want of the pathway to eternal glory. His material want of the pathway to eternal glory was not expected.

Calling on a Mr. Paine, a music teacher, we inquired if he knew of an organ suitable for a church. Yes, he knew of a fine parlor organ, Englishway to eternal glory. His material was that body of "manly men." Wellway to eternal glory. His material want of the pathway to eternal glory was that body of "manly men." Wellway to eternal glory. His material was that body of "manly men." Wellway to eternal glory. His material was that body of "manly men." Wellway to eternal glory. His material was that body of "manly men." Wellway to eternal glory. His material was that body of "manly men." Wellway to eternal glory. His material was that body of "manly men." Wellway to eternal glory. His material was that body of "manly men." Wellway to eternal glory. His material was the four printing the knew of an organ suitable for a church. Yes, he knew of a fine parlor organ, Englishway to eternal glory. His material was that body of "manly men." Wellway to eternal glory. His material was that body of "manly men." Wellway to eternal glory. His material was the four printing the fine the four mannently enlarged to twelve good-sized quarters, very poorly adapted to its wants; but, finally, in 1874, it reached its decher, we inquired if he knew of an organ suitable for a church. Yes, he knew of a fine parlor organ suitable for a church. Yes, he wants; but, finally, in 1874, it reached i ness. For many years after its location beginning of 1874 the paper was per- of Church and State, whom successive would sell very low. Off we drove to the fine mansion of Mr. Somebody — I street of Lucknow. Here four printing manly service for every good cause, their integrity stands unimpeached. the fine mansion of Mr. Somebody—I have lost his name—and found him at home. He took us into his parlors, and there stood a beautiful organ, of splendid tone, in a mahogany case. He (the owner) wished to sell, would take \$300, and give us time as well as tune.

street of Lucknow. Here four printing presses are kept constantly at work, and has paid special attention to the higher Christian life. Its present circulation is nearly, if not attention. Many compositors are employed setting type in English, Urdu, and Hindi, and in the former language and give us time as well as tune.

street of Lucknow. Here four printing presses are kept constantly at work, and has paid special attention to the higher Christian life. Its present circulation is nearly, if not quite, double that of any other journal of its class in the country, and the many words of highest praise which it right position is its own reward in the large amounts of job-work are done. large amounts of job-work are done. receives from the best judges give evi- personal peace and self-respect it

"Asnounced by all the trumpets of the sky,

It is idle to ignore the part which a strong personality plays in the ministry (it is truth. Much of the current teaching finds acceptance more from the weight of authority

MISCELLANEOUS.

OLD WINE IN OLD BOTTLES.

I was born October 30th, 1802. " Saturday night," exclaimed one, " after the week's work is all done; a sure sign that work and he will never agree;" an old tradition, that may have proved true in some cases, but, like has made at least one mistake: work and I have never fallen out. The place of my birth was the noted town of Hull - noted as being the smallest town, both in territory and in population; and yet noted in the political world by the saying, " As goes Hull, so goes the State." By actual count, on the above date, the inhabitants numbered 120, all told, including the last humble comer. Yet, most of all, Hull is noted as having given to the Methodist itinerancy not less than eleven ministers and ministers' wives, and all but one from the same family - four of the first generation, five of the second, and one of the third sixteen.

In the same town, when about 16 years of age, my spiritual birth took place under the zealous ministry of that flaming herald, Father Taylor, who ever after called me his boy, and concerning whom I cherish many pleasant reminiscences. One day, soon after my conversion, he said to me with peculiar emphasis, as one having authority,

"Amos, God wants you to preach, and I want you to go to New Market Academy and study theology."

"Theology!" said I, "What's that?" for, verily, I did not know. "Go," said be, "and you'll find out."

I accordingly went, told the principal what I had come for, and who sent me. He looked askance at me for a moment, and then said.

"Well, I think you had better go into the class of surveying, navigation, logarithms and trigonometry."

And now, as to whether I ever found out what theology means, let them who are curious to know, read the little book called The Theological Compend. Let me say in connection with this, that I had been at the academy but a few weeks, when Rev. J. A. Merrill expressing his estimate of me, put into my hand a license to preach, saying he had made an appointment for me the next Sabbath evening; that I must go, and renew it from Sabbath to Sabbath. I obeyed orders, doing the best I could with what effect I know not, save that the Rev. Dr. E. Adams, then a little boy, remembers to this day the preacher's first text, to say nothing of the sermon. A short time after this a Presiding Elder came, with a horse all saddled and bridled, desiring me to take the place of a circuit preacher whose health had failed. By this time I began to think that studying theology meant preaching it, of which Father Taylor, the sailor preacher, must have had some experience. Not heeding these ecies which went before" on me, I were from the top of an elm-tree in his is reported by a Roman Catholic Libwent home, engaged in a secular business, preaching only occasionally, persuading myself that my call was limited to that of the local ministry. Four East Cambridge for local deacon's orders. Bishop George presided, preached - yes, preached, in the true apostolic style and sense of the word. His in Matt. v, 13; Col. iv, 6. He was have no business to listen to them. If wholly to these things." I can never forget his peculiar accent of the word " wholly," giving it special importance. "Yes, brethren," said he, repeating it several times, "w-h-o-l-l-y, wholly, WHOLLY." This word was sown in tears and evidently had the promised effect (Ps. exxvi, 5, 6.). I regarded it as a special call to give myself wholly to the ministry, and accordingly went home, closed my business and offered myself to the Presiding Elder, who sent me at once to take the place of a window, with,

"Who sent you here?"

enough, the desk had no other occu- of what they believed to be right and time. He can evidently "draw," for jury will follow, but we may see "how

*Dr. W. R. Clarke's Centennial sermon on New ed a belief that our aucestors, with all their excellences, were not necessarily theatrical, sensational character, and Dec. 8, 1876,

the candles, attached by bits of tin and superior in this respect to all others of are on such topics as the Tower of Lon- A WORD TO FOOLISH YOUNG MEN. the necessary books of reference, in all con- family speaks well of the volume, and at wire to a huge, rough block of wood, their age and race. suspended from the ceiling in the cenant life.

found the only one there was some to err and waste our energies. three miles from the village. Here A writer I have recently been read-

at the next Annual Conference he motioned that I be discontinued. This, however, was prevented by such men as Pickering, Lindsay, Merrill, Taylor and others who knew me better, and thought I had not had a fair trial. The Presiding Elder having said left to shift for myself, I called for the society to express their views, which resulted in a subscription of \$40, with the generous offer of one-half of my time to seek a living elsewhere. I at once formed a circuit of two or three neighboring towns, found here and there a Methodist of the scattered abroad, of which, together with other Christian friends without a shepherd, new Churches were formed, to which the Lord added not a few converts. One of the number was Friend B., socalled from his having formerly been a province of Quebec is largely Roman member of the society of Friends. As a citizen, no one was regarded more pleased to say to the contrary, the

fice than he; yet, being somewhat pestance, his devotions at early dawn going on. The specimen as thus given front yard, closing uniformly with the eral, who vouches for its truth: shout of, "Glory to the King of heaven!" At the table he had practiced Liberals, who come here to tell you putting a little salt into his tea and long rigmaroles which you do not, and salt in yourselves." I explained that ignorants, who do not even know your emblem in the sense of saving grace, as judge what Liberals tell you. No, you into the well, saving, "It may do as

LETTER FROM BERMUDA. BY PROF. JOHN JOHNSTON, LL. D.

experiences.

MR. EDITOR: Do any of your readpreacher who had become so deranged ers ever care to hear from this "far off me, you will be damned! Remember, a rising town in the western part of Ontasociety had asked his removal. Wheth- deed, we New Englanders are accus- parish this last week. Were those times are very hard for such an entermy approaching his residence, he saw Communication by steamers is kept up are you going to prepare yourselves to redound very much to their credit. "Oh," said I, "how do you do, Between this place and New York, the day of judgment comes, and you ap-Brother A.? The Presiding Elder sent steamer makes bi-monthly trips, but pear before God, He will say to you, me, as, of course, I suppose you know." only monthly between this place and 'Go, accursed, I do not know you!" "Well," said he, "the Presiding El- the other two places named. Then, Surely, this is a fine specimen of pulder has nothing to do with my affairs, too, historically we find some not un- pit preaching, and yet our politicians, pleasing associations connecting us with in order to secure the Catholic vote, and "Very well," said I, "as it is Satur- the people here. As has been remarked keep "our party" in office, will speak day night, can I spend the Sabbath by others, the original inhabitants of of it in a sort of apologetic manner, or these islands came from much the same may be pass the whole by in silence. "Well," said he, "I guess you can," class of society in England as did the But if a Protestant minister dares even and, opening the door, let me in. At early settlers of our ewn New England, to exercise his right of speaking, or bed time he took me to a spare room and at about the same time. Of the giving a word of counsel to those who of many shelves, having been formerly present population, in number they may solicit his opinion, he will be deused as a cheese closet. The entrance tell me about 14,000, more than half nounced in unmeasured terms. Popery was by way of the lodging-room of are colored, slavery having been early is what it has always been - the foe mine host and hostess, and, of course, established here, as in the West India of freedom and the enemy of all rightthe first to bed must be the last up. So, islands generally; and the history of eousness. in the morning I listened and waited those times obliges us to allow that it | For some time past the lecture sysfor my proper time of egress, till, at a very probably would have been in New tem has been thought to be on the wane late hour, I found that I was in the England had it been found profitable. among us. It is often said that Canadihouse alone. Mine hosts had gone out Do any object to this statement? If ans do not encourage lectures as Amerto breakfast, but soon returned, bring- they do, I shall not attempt to prove icans do. We have, however, a gening a portion for me. "And now," it, but only assert it as my own opin- tleman in four midst who is making a Some of the people who dread all insaid he, "the people expect me to ion after some study of early New En- considerable stir among the citizens of novations, and regard every change preach both this morning and after- gland history. The early settlers of Toronto. He has already been in the with alarm, have rushed into print and taken in the country, through the efficient noon, and you may occupy the desk Plymouth, Boston, Salem, etc., were. cities eastward of this, and now he has asked the why and wherefore of this. Evening came, and, sure indeed, a noble race, and as tenacious taken up his abode in Toronto for a short It is not anticipated that any great inpant; the pastor, to save expense, as just as any people that ever lived, but the largest halls of the city are crowd. great a matter a little fire kindleth." he said, serving as sexton. His chief they were not free from the weaknesses ed to their utmost. The gentleman's As I shall not trouble you with any

Semi-Centennial Address by REV. Amos tre of the room — a specimen of his here, vastly more than half are color- oquent preacher, and has preached BINNEY, delivered in Lowell, at the ses- own ingenuity. The Presiding Elder ed, and of every shade. Slavery was once each Sabbath that he has been in the beginning of my prospective itiner- West India colonies, and the two races, a servant accompanies him. His por-In 1826, fifty years ago, I was admit- but the old antipathy of race still exists dows, and puffing notices are inserted ted on trial into the New England Con- apparently as strong as ever. It is in all the journals; everything possiference, then including the whole field very common to call this feeling preju- ble is done to secure a full house. But now occupied by the six New England dice, but in my view this is a misuse what can men think of a minister leav-Conferences. My first appointment of the word. The phrase, antipathy of ing the pastoral work for such a mode was to K., in New Hampshire, in an- race, I think, expresses the feeling of life as this? Money and fame thus swer to a petition from some twenty much better. It may lead to similar gained are too dearly bought. families of Universalists, who had dis- results as prejudice, and be itself as missed their preacher on the ground reprehensible, but it has altogether a bill on our statute book, which that he asked too much, just to insure different origin; and if we are disposed gives permission to the people in them of what was already insured. to seek for means to diminish or counany given locality to refuse the sale of Knowing nothing of this arrangement, teract the feeling, it is proper that we liquors in taverns as at present. Some I sought, as customary, some Method- should use language that correctly ex- counties, both in Ontario and Quebec, ist family for a temporary home, and presses it. We shall then be less likely have carried the said bill by large ma-

myself and wife were welcomed till a ing expresses very confidently the opinparsonage was finally found. It was ion, that among the people of Bermuda an old shanty, and reputed as haunted, this feeling, which I call antipathy of bave taken the alarm, hence the Lifrom its dismal location in the corner races, is much less than in the United censed Victualers' Association have of a graveyard, and its being long un- States. This may be true as regards buckled on the armor as though makoccupied, except by rats. While here the people of the recent slave-holding ing ready for the fight. The licensed my Presiding Elder called to meet his States, but, I am very confident, is not inspectors are, I believe, doing their first quarterly meeting appointment, true as to the people of the other States, utmost to carry out the law. Several I had given notice that he would especially of the people of New En- violators have been punished; but the preach, and, the time having come, he gland. Though I have been here only gentlemen (?) of the association have requested me to read the first hymn, a few weeks, I have seen abundant ev- started a journal in their interests, which I did, carelessly adding, "Please idence that this antipathy of race is which, of course, strongly condemns sing four verses." The Presiding El. everywhere strong. No attempts are drun enness, but at the same time comder (thinking, may be, to follow Paul's made to counteract or conceal it, so far plains bitterly about the interference advice, "rebuke with all authority, as I can see. I have attended Church with vested interests, and depriving and that before all ") loudly exclaimed, only at the Wesleyan, or regular Meth-the subject of his personal liberty, etc. Say stanzas!" I knew his criticism odist I will call it, but here separate They have even held a mass meeting was right, but thought it rather ill- seats are set apart for the colored peo- in Toronto, condemnatory of temperance timed; that he should have tutored the ple, as is another part of the church for associations, etc. I am glad that Rev. stripling preacher more privately; and, the British soldiers, of whom there are E. H. Dewart, editor of the Christian so, when he had read the Scripture les- always many on the island. These in Guardian, was not afraid to appear on son, and added. "Thus endeth the their red coats make a striking appear- the platform at the said meeting, and

visit for the year; and, as I expected, give facts as I see them.

Hamilton, Dec. 7.

LETTER FROM ONTARIO, CANADA.

There has been quite a stir, lately, among our politicians. Some of them have been called before the judges to nothing as to my support, and being give account of their practices among the electors, prior to the day of voting, the results of which have not been very creditable to them. The trouble is that both parties have been put to shame through the conduct of some of their partisans, or agents. The clergy have not altogether es-

caped censure; not that any of them have been brought into the courts of law, but certainly their conduct has more than once been the subject of remark by gentlemen of the legal profession. I dare say you know that the Catholic, and whatever some may be capable of business and responsible of- priests do their utmost to compel the "What makes you listen to those

the word "salt" there was used as an A B C's, and you pretend to be able to the matter by putting a peck of salt you what you should and what you should not do. I am here on purpose story of the first year of my itinerant tell you, you will be damned! for, mind you, I was appointed your curé pointed by the Pope, and he (the Pope), the line. you know very well, was appointed by

don, Charles Dickens, William M. Of the people you meet in the streets Thackeray, etc. He is said to be an el-BINNEY, delivered in Lowell, at the session of the New England Conference in 1834, at the same soon after called me to a place vacated by a brother deceased; and such was long there is a class of young men who spend their leisure in having a "good been profitably condensed into a duodecimo, when the new might say, there is a class of young men who spend their leisure in having a "good been profitably condensed into a duodecimo, when the new might say, there is a class of young men who spend their leisure in having a "good been profitably condensed into a duodecimo, at the session after called me to a place vacated abolished here in 1834, at the same to leges, at most of them we might say, there is a class of young men who spend their leisure in having a "good been profitably condensed into a duodecimo, at the session after called me to a place vacated by a brother deceased; and such was in all the other English there is a class of young men who spend their leisure in having a "good been profitably condensed into a duodecimo, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Conference in 1834, at the same to the New England Confe I believe, have ever lived in harmony; trait is exhibited in all the shop win-You are aware that we have a

> jorities. Other counties are also making preparations to test the question, so that very likely we shall have prohibition in other counties. The tavera-keepers cital. reading," etc., I could not easily re- ance, in the eyes of a New Englander. though surrounded by the manufacturfrain from asking, "Are then, sir, the The reader will please notice that I ers of the liquor, yet he did not fail Scriptures to be read no more?" This am not speaking in the way of either to denounce "the traffic" as of the was my Presiding Elder's first and only censure or approval. I seek only to most iniquitous and demoralizing faculty took this step with unfeigned Price \$2.00, in muslin. character.

day, has so far forgotten what belongs He had no difficulty in obtaining good to his position, as to actually preach a positions, through his family connecsermon in the parish of which he is tions, but at the end of each one was a rector in defense of drinking liquor. spree, and then a discharge. Feeling He says that prohibition is an interfer- himself unable to control an appetite ence with the good creatures of God. which was his master, he enlisted as a of spiritual life and Christian conduct, and He has long been a most singular perpresent course of action certainly is from his ready pen appeared in Applean old man and will soon appear before article of his was ever declined by pubhis Judge. Some wish that he had not lishers of first-class periodicals. After performed such a deed on the eve of three years on board a man-of-war, he attractive to average youthful readers; they his going to the tribunal, but they are returned to his home, and was again are fresh, animated, and very persuasive charitable enough to attribute it to his placed in good positions. But the old The volume will be a most wholesome gift

bers in our various municipal councils shortly after, for another cruise. as they think will uphold the whiskey Now, there will be those who, on readhabitants to obey their commands at trade. Earnest temperance men are ing this article, will say the young man ward for well doing.

have already been held. I am glad to but in many cases the very smell of inlearn that in several instances the re- toxicating liquors has the same effect. age. Price \$1. years had thus passed, when I went up other drinks. 1 asked the reason, and are too ignorant to, understand? Don't ceipts have excelled last year's. I am Indeed, I have been assured by victims to the New England Conference at he cited me to Mark ix, 50: "Have you know that you are only a band of also gratified that our laymen of influence are taking a prominent position in Some of them have devoted much time they hate and curse. in going to various places for this pur- Young men who go to college for an text was 1 Tim. iv, 15: "Give thyself at once open to conviction, and yet so you want to know anything, come to pose, where they have done much nicely scrupulous, that he compromised me, for I am the only one able to tell good. We have some brethren who trust when they organize themselves have just returned from the mission into a band to serve the devil by drinkfields of the "Prairie Province," whose ing wine for fun; they consign ten per well." And with this I must close the to guide you, and if you do not do as I heroic tales do not fail to secure willing cent. of their own associates to disgrace, listeners. Our treasurers are calling ruin and death. Every young man for \$200,000, to secure which there will should remember that, besides being his

> The Methodist Episcopal Church of God. Therefore, when you do not do Canada have long been contemplating as I tell you, when you do not listen to the erection of a female college. It me, you do not listen to God; and if you appears that a plot of ground has been

and unacceptable in his work that the island of the sea?" "Far off," in- we have had two sudden deaths in this rio. They are hopeful of success. The er they were right or not the mention tomed to think of it, but once here, and people prepared? I don't know, but prise, and if they succeed in securing Price \$6.00. This very handsomely pubof a few facts may suffice to show. On you find it quite centrally located. you - you may also die suddenly; and a sufficiency of stock, it will certainly and abruptly hailed me from an upper with New York, Halifax, N. S., and meet your God, your sovereign Judge, They have had a college at Belleville the island of St. Thomas; the three by voting for the enemies of His for some years, where both sexes have places being not very unequidistant. Church? Oh, beware! for when your been educated, but, I believe, they intend to retain their present college for males exclusively. Since the Ladies' College was started at Hamilton by the least five or six others have been established in various parts of the Provprogress education is making in our

> The surplice question is commanding a good deal of attention just now among the Episcopalians in Montreal. It seems that in some Churches the practice has been to put on the gown before preaching. The Bishop, who is not accused of any High Church proclivities, wished to have uniformity among his clergy, and expressed a UNITED STATES; A Geographical and Stawish that all would use the surplice tistical Encyclopædia. By A. Von Steinonly, or all preach with the gown. The former plan seems to have been almost wholly or entirely adopted.

work was to crop with rusty snuffers of humanity. Therefore, in expressing name is Rev. Alexander Clarke, Baptist more lucubrations until 1877, allow me the above opinion, I have only intimate minister, and he hails from Australia, to wish you and your readers a Happy

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At some of our higher schools and "with plenty of wine the courses bethere no other results to these midnight man on the down grade, but when that

A young man, wealthy, handsome and from one of the best families in the United States, entered a New England college at fifteen. At the end of two years he was at the head of his class, and the most promising young man connected with the college. Society offered him its choicest places, and young ladies vied with one another to please him. But he liked fan. He sought companions with the same liking. They ran through the usual course, coming at last to that foolish conclusion that a good time was but another name for a lic. This important work still remains to be grand drunk. He got on so fast that in his third year he was expelled. The reluctance, for they saw in him another A Rev. Dr. Townley, once himself a Bryant or Longfellow. Unfortunately, Methodist, and the son of a Wesleyan in leaving college, he could not leave minister of considerable ability in his behind him his taste for strong drink. son - a real high Churchman -but his the three years' cruise many articles youth. The reader is often reminded of the most lamentable. He pleads that he is ton's and Scribner's monthlies, and no habit was too strong for him, and after The battle of whiskey was never struggling with it a whole year, during fought so desperately in our land as which he had delirium tremens three now. Those who defend the traffic are times, he drifted to a seaport town one taking measures to secure such mem- day, while on a spree, and re-enlisted,

When a habit for strong drink is once This is the season for holding mis- acquired, not only does a single glass sionary meetings. A goodly number arouse a demon whose sway is absolute, beer frequently unnerve them, and

education do more than betray their by the Bishop, who in his turn was ap need to be a great advance all along own master, he is his brother's keeper.

Our Book Cable.

BATTLES OF THE AMERICAN REVOLU don't listen to the voice of God through secured for this purpose at St. Thomas, Tion, 1775-1781; Historical and Military Criticism, with Topographical Illustrations. by Henry Carrington, M. A., LL. D. Royal 8vo, 712 pp. New York: A. S. Barnes & Co. For sale in Boston by Nichols & Hall. lished and substantial volume is a carefully prepared military review and history of the volutionary era. It opens with the battle at Lexington, and closes with the surrender of Yorktown. Col. Carrington, of the U. S. Army, is professor of military science in Wabash College, and brings a well-trained mind to his work. He has ample historical material for his record, but his Wesleyans some fifteen years ago, at work becomes more difficult in the descripbattles, and in according proper hopor to the heroes of them. The book will be, doubtince - a clear proof, certainly, of the less, a text-book in military schools, but it is equalty interesting to the general reader. Col. Carrington gives to Gen. Prescott the immediate command at Bunker Hill. Gen. Putnam, in his opinion, has the general charge of ordering up reinforcements, and fortifying the heights in the rear to cover so expected retreat. The volume is peculiarly interesting, and gives one of the freshest tionary period.

THE CENTENNIAL GAZETTEER OF THE wehr, A. M. Philadelphia: J. C. McCurdy & Co. 8vo, 1016 pp. This gazetteer is the first that has been compiled since the war. The author has been able to avail himself of the latest national statistics, gathered in the tractive as they are. superintendence of Prof. Francis A. Walker. Every department of this manual, so indispensable to business men, seems to have een carefully edited and brought down to yolume will take its place on the shelf with pp. An expert member of the editorial Giannetti; Zur Gultarre, by Fred Hiller.

siderable libraries, as well as upon the desks

THE LIFE AND LETTERS OF MRS. PHEBE PALMER. By Rev. Richard Wheatley. 8vo. time." This good time is very apt to and would thus have enjoyed a wider circulamean a grand supper about once a week, tion throughout the Church. The character of its construction, also, is open to criticism, tween." In this way no little money is ically; and the different periods in this de as it is arranged in topics and not chronologexpended, much valuable time is wasted, voted lady's life and experience are someand vital force is thrown away. Were times singularly, if not confusingly, mingled together. The author does well to permit orgies, these alone are sufficient to put his subject to speak for herself, as she was very handsomely three school text books: them under ban. But, besides these, abundantly able to do, and has done, in 1st, Littabeth Lioyd. It consists of easy and her voluminous and valuable writings; but Elizabeth Lioyd. It consists of easy and and beyond the moral loss that must he might often have aided those who have tasteful selections from good writers, with needs attend such demonstrations, is an- not had a personal acquaintance with the full instructions as to analyzing the lessons, other loss that is overwhelming. The events referred to, by giving a few more de- arranged with questions. It seems to be a fact is, there is coming from school and tails. For instance, significant allusion is fine manual for the brightest class in primary college, recruit after recruit to the army of drunkards; and the devil has no more drunkards; the devil has no more in the life of this excellent woman. If the J. W. Westlake, A. M., of the Pennsylvania active agents than these same young men who, under the guise of fus, are criticisms of Mr. Mattison, and the nature of hensive manual, well-edited, with brief, annually enlisting hundreds of their the answer in the Quarterly, of Col. Perry - biographical sketches and names of writers. most brilliant companions in his service. It would have been both instructive and interesting to readers who were not familiar WRITE LETTERS: A Manual of Corresponding man on the down grade, but when that this volume will be a family book. The and well-constructed manual, giving illus young man is talented, influential, and thousands of friends in this country and trations of all forms of letter-writing, proper has a bright future opening before him, England, who learned to esteem and love its addresses, suggestions as to subjects of letit is doubly sad. Listen to a story that subject, will prize all the selections from her ters, and rhetorical rules. It is arranged for heard to-day, while my whole head full diary and abundant correspondence. class study, and covers a new and important Her picture, taken as we have seen her field. grew sick and my heart faint at its restand at the Tuesday meetings in her home, and forming the frontispiece of the volume, will almost seem to speak; and her familiar Wide Accake, is a strong and good story, sentiments, all through its pages, will bring full of practical lessons of conduct and duty, her freshly back again into the presence of treating wisely and kindly the familiar doubt her friends once more. Being dead, she yet of the day, and made attractive by pathetic speaketh.

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THE ITINERANCY IN SOUTH INDIA. "Circuit," "circuit rider," " plan of the circuit," - these terms were more

familiar to the Methodists of fifty years ago, than they are to those of to-day. B. Peters; one to be supplied. Charles Wesley, on the circuit system, vibrated between London and Bristol; John Wesley, ever on the move, said he could not preach one year to the same congregation, without " putting both them and himself to sleep." Bishop Scott has, we believe, expressed the wish, that there were not a "station" in the connection. An ilinerant in a station presents somewhat of a confusion of ideas. All this affords food for Sunday-school normal class work in reflection on the use and abuse of that New Haven. comparatively modern institution of Methodism - the station.

These thoughts have been suggested to Palestine and the East. from the fact that there lies before us the printed "plan," for the current quarter, of the Madras circuit of the Senate. There are no colored memmp after the method of the "plans" so constantly in use among our Wesleyan brethren in England. In the number public preaching, and its numerous meetings for religious, educational, years. charitable and other purposes, the plan A new Methodist church in Stock- We can easily write a trillion thus: borers, including two pastors (Rev's come to hear the Gospel. drews. D. D., whose name beads the and Bishop Berkeley. made for Young Men's and Young ing. carried on in South India (chiefly among Europeans living in India and their descendants) under Rev. W. Taylor. The work is self-supporting.

SOUTH INDIA CONFERENCE.

From the Bombay Guardian, Nov. 18, we extract the following interesting The Indianapolis Y. M. C. A. has account of services connected with the notified the theatres and opera-houses late session of the South India Confer- that henceforth they must keep closed

"Evangelistic services were conducted throughout last week by Dr. A Baptist missionary in Assam sug-Thoburn, in the hall of the Framji gests the employment of an elephant Cowasjee Institute, which was filled as an auxiliary to his missionary labors, night after night with most attentive and as an economic measure. An eleaudiences. About thirty persons made phant subscription list is suggested for themselves known as seekers of salva- our Baptist Sunday-schools. tion, and were instructed and prayed Dean Stanley has again shown his with, and most, if not all of them, pro- liberality by inviting Rev. Dr. Duff, fessed to have found peace and joy in the veteran missionary and Free Church believing. Dr. T. preached in St. An- minister, to deliver the annual missiondrew's church on Sunday evening, and ary sermon in Westminster Abbey. in Falkland Road Hall Monday even- Some of the young men of the Pearl defeat? Calcutta on the day last mentioned. Bishop Andrews preached on the Lord's day evening in the Framji Cowasjee Hall, on Tuesday in the Baptist church, so to complain of lack of Church hos-Hall, on Tuesday in the Baptist church, son to complain of lack of Church hosand on Wednesday in St. Andrews. "A profound impression was made

same in contact with Bishop Andrews churches near the hotels. were delighted with his loving spirit, simplicity and earnestness, combined with great mental power and excellent sense. On Lord's day morning in Falkland Road Hall, after a sermon by the Rev. Jas. Shaw, the Bishop ordained Mr. T. H. Oakes, and Mr. W. Curties as deacons, and in the evening at Framji Cowasgee Hall, he ordained the following persons, elders: C. W. Christian, G. K. Gilder, T. H. Oakes, and W. Curties. Rev. Messrs. Thoburn, Mansell, Parker, Wheeler, Cunningham, Hard and Bowen took part in the imposition of hands. The South India Conference of the M. E. Church commenced its sessions Thursday, Nov. 9. and continued them day by day till Tuesday, 14. Members of Conference where the Archbishop of Canterbury re-Goodwin, Robbins, Blackstock, Nichols, Osborne, Gladwin, Fox, Davis, Shaw, Newton, Christian, Gilder, Lee, Mookeriee, Robinson, Oakes, Curties, Jan-

"The meetings were open to the and partly on parchment. public, and many attended from day to day. The Minutes will shortly be published. To those who took part in this Conference it was an august and memorable occasion, and their hearts were of Prayer, January 7-14, 1877: much drawn out in thankfuluess, in view of what God has wrought."

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Friday, Jan. 12 - Prayer for Chris-Allahabad - Dennis Osborne, L. R. tian missions to the Jews and Gentiles,

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E. Robinson and W. T. G. Curties. RELIGIOUS NEWS.

Ex-President Woolsey takes part in

Rev. Dr. Phillip Schaff, of Union

ist, is chaplain of the Colorado State growing to a large size.

C. P. Hard and F. G. Davis), five local Yale College chapel has received the Dr. Schliemann continues to make preachers and thirty-two exhorters, two memorial windows needed to make new discoveries. In the tomb recently These are exclusive of Rev. E. G. An- it complete, those to Jonathan Edwards opened at Mycenæ he found a large

guages.

The British Bible Revision Committhe death of Dr. Duncan Weir, Professor of Oriental Languages in the University of Glasgow. His place on the cooking utensils of bronze, but no traces Manufacturer, at the LOWEST MARKET PRICES. Old Testament committee cannot be of anything in iron or glass. readily filled.

on Sunday as the law directs. That " must " means must.

ing and Tuesday morning, leaving for Street Congregational Church, Hartpitality, and they accordingly issue which thousands of Christian familles notes of invitation to all hotel strangers groan, and under which even the naby these discourses. We have seldom to come to their church. In addition

again, and another case of discipline for with comparative indifference? Will Presbytery. Rev. Dr. Craven, of Newark, N. J., has entered a complaint against Rev. I. M. See of the Wickliffe week, the performance of usual relig-Street Presbyterian Church for allow- jous services in the family and the ing Mrs. Robinson, of Indiana, and Church, destroy this monster crime of Mrs. C. S. Whitney, of Hartford, to the ages? As soon will the boy and occupy his pulpit recently. The time his dipper relieve Niagara's cataract of for this trial was appointed for December its volume and power. The whole en-20, in the Second Presbyterian Church ginery of moral and religious power at Newark. Dr. Craven says he makes must be brought to bear directly upon his charge with regret, but that in his the strongholds of this iniquity; backed opinion the time has arrived for a judi- by the prayer room and the pulpit, and cial settlement of the matter.

"Without fear or favor" would seem to be the rule at the British Museum. were Messrs. Thoburn, Hard, Bowen, cently was not allowed to enter the the lance and spear have failed to penreading-room, as he had forgotten to etrate to his vitals. A sad spectacle bring his pass.

A copy of the edition of the Bible printed by Guttenberg, at Mayence, beney, Row, Peters. Messrs. Mansell, tween 1450 and 1456, recently discovered Parker, Cunningham and Wheeler, of in the vestry of a church in Saxony, has the North India Conference, were pres- been purchased by an English collector ent, and participated in the discussions. for £450. It is printed partly on paper,

THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

The Evangelical Alliance has issued the following programme for the Week Sunday, Jan. 7 - Sermons: Christian fellowship. 1 John i, 7.

Monday, Jan. 8 - Thanksgiving and confession, in the review of the past

Tuesday, Jan. 9 - Prayer: For the Holy Spirit on the Universal Church, Joel ii, 28, for its deliverance from error and corruption, and its increase of faith, activity, holiness and Christian charity.

Wednesday, Jan. 10 - Prayer for families; for the unconverted; for sons and daughters at school and college, and for those abroad; for any in sickness, trouble, or temptation; and for those who have been recently "added to the Church."

Thursday, Jan. 11 - Prayer for nations; for rulers, magistrates and statesmen; for philanthropic and benevolent institutions; for a pure literature, the spread of sound education among the people, and the maintenance of peace.

Luke xxiv, 47; for Sunday-schools; and for the conversion of the world to Christ.

Saturday, Jan. 13 - Prayer for the observance of the Christian Sabbath; for the promotion of temperance; and for the safety of those " who go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters."

Sunday, Jan. 14 - Sermons: One Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all. Ephes. iv, 5, 6.

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There are 5,000 well-known species South India Conference. It is gotten bers in either branch of the Legislature. of birds, and about the same number of Rev. Gideon Shepard, of the M. E. fishes. Agassiz estimated the number Church of Canada, died in Forestville, of vertebrated animals at 20,000. There of its laborers and appointments for N. Y., recently. He was editor of the bave been about 70,000 different insects Canada Christian Advocate for several collected and classified in various museums; of reptiles, about 1,500 species.

bespeaks the presence of that vigorous holm, Sweden, erected by the self-de- 1,000,000,000,000, that is, a million of type of denominational life, which has nial of its members, many of whom de- millions; but if a person were able to been characterized as " Christianity in nied themselves new coats and new count at the rate of 200 in a minute, and earnest." Its elaborateness of detail gowns for the purpose, was dedicated to work without intermission twelve indicates careful forethought. There by Bishop Andrews in October, and is hours in a day, he would require to are given the names of thirty-nine la- already too strait for the crowds who count a trillion 6,944,444 days, or 19,-325 years, 319 days.

golden mask and an enormous breast-Taylor, who is "Conference evangel- \$125,000 towards the new mission and of a man, wonderfully preserved, esist." Besides the arrangements for the educational fund which the recently pecially the face. The head was round, usual Church services, provision is united English Presbyterians are rais- the eyes large, ann the mouth contained thirty-two fine teeth. There is, however, Women's Christian Association meet- There were sold at the Bible pavilion a difficulty about preserving the re-There were sold at the Bible pavilion at the Centennial, erected by the Pennials, and "meetings for address and prayer on the Madras railway." The whole scheme represents the thus-far outcome of that wonderful work of God of the Bible in forty-five different languages.

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tinue? Is there no hope? To you, reader, we look for an answer. Will you take the field for Jesus against this foe? Remember that the "battle is not to the strong, nor the race to the swift," but to those, however weak, who go forth in the name of the Lord Jehovah. Surely reduced from \$5. there must be a David, somewhere, who shall lead God's hosts to victory Young man, young woman, up! gird you may be skilled, hurl it against this this city.

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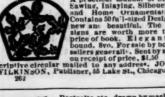
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Enter upon the work of the year with courage and hopefulness. You have God on your side; all the good forces of the universe are ready to minister to you. You have a great and difficult work to do, but you are may be one of prosperity, peace and good of also armed with important powers. In a right cause you cannot fail.

Courage, then! Play the man, for God and His people! A faint heart is failure to begin take courage, may disappoint; the clouds with, and is an abomination to the Lord. The "well able" of Caleb outweighs all the "cannots" of the multitude. In a dyspeptic unfaith neither God nor man takes any be overjoyed. Your life is in the hands of

You are entering on a new and mysterious yoyage; you are to sail into strange seas; perils are about you. Do not fail to insure in the office above. No earthly house is entirely safe; the security of the heavenly is ample.

New Year's day is a mile-stone marking off the past from the future. Our rapid passage by these way-marks reminds us of the lapse of time, The former one was passed difficult to be learned. Our future life will but a moment ago; we glide on with railroad be a mere continuance of the present one. speed, and yet are unconscious of the swiftness of our course till we dart past one of various stages of it are intimately connected these reminders. The ordinary current of together, and, in fact, grow out of each other. life flows so quietly and smoothly as to If we wish to know the man, we must know rouse us only when we shoot a rapid, or pass the boy; for the man is only the boy unsome landmark on the shore.

and meditate on the shortness of the way into a later period; the man is the same, unahead. This year will be as the past. Long der several phases of development. as it may appear in the distance it will be The future life is the present projected quickly traversed. The fore-lengthening is across the border land. On the other side deceptive. The year will be but a span, and we shall find that we are simply our inevwill so appear at the close. Let the past itable selves. Under whatever change of year be a measure for the ensuing. It will form, our moral nature will go with us. If afford you no time to spare, none to run to we have been virtuous and holy on earth, from the glass. Be wise to make the most terrupt the flow of such a life; but, on the them in Shakespeare's shallows and miseries. ate as a wholesome check upon very of the moments. When lost they cannot be other hand, a bad moral condition will not gathered again, or purchased with much fine be terminated at the river of death. Of And not no

As the old year closes and you enter on eternity. the new, you are possibly most impressed In this view of the case we need not be in many of these possibilities shall become facts. with a sense of failure in the past. In the doubt about our future life. We are mak- Every young man should determine to make retrospect of the year you see how many ing that future, in the conduct of each hour the most of himself, and endure the self-demistakes you have made, how often your and in each act of life. It is the present nial necessary to effect his purpose. foot has slipped, how far you have come that is invested with an infinite interest, for short of the high aims, of the ideal good the seeds of the infinite are bound up in the of life. Often in the contest, fate seemed to present. We are each day writing in the be against you; the soul gravitated to evil; book of life a word that shall be read out in some mysterious influence seemed to sweep the judgment, before the universe. If we your barque to unexpected latitudes and wish to know what that reading will be,

been felt by the best of mon - perhaps more last day. Our future life will be but an by them than by others. As earnestly as opening, an interpretation, a bringing out they may have struggled, as well as they into light, of the now invisible lines of our may have done, the divine standard was present existence. above them. They failed because they We may not only know what is to be our caimed at what was above fallen nature. fate, but we may settle it. If so, we must candidate for the ministry, especially But you are not to forget that it is better to do it now. We determine our future state. when he has the sympathy, if not contall below a high standard, than to attain It is determined along by each step in life. scientious approbation, of the members one that is low and groveling. The higher We are the judges, daily passing sentence of a quarterly conference. But if the y our goal, the greater is like to be your upon ourselves.

pro fit by past failure. Your errors, short- life enters on the race and assumes the bur- the brethren, of what special value is guage, and a providential door opened be of great service to you in navigating throwing those burdens off. amon g like rocks and storms in the further In some respects, old age is the greatest never be ruined by a mistake, provided only inevitable, and it is a change under many sistently advised not to offer bimself man who makes capital of his errors. The down hill; we pass from our prominence to we have encountered and the shipwrecks learning to do without us and to forget us, we have suffered. Do not fear to examine which is anything but a pleasant experiyour past course,or to look square in the face ence. The battle so long won, must now your mistakes; and once taking them into be lost. consideration, do not fail to turn them to And then, this revolution comes at a period your future advantage. In this way you in life when we are least able to endure may utilize the ills of life, gathering into it, or to adjust ourselves to its new deyour gails even the adverse breezes to help mands. In youth we love change, and in you to the haven. No man in any walk of middle life we move unconsciously in the life can be greatly successful who does not current of improvement. But in old age it is learn to use adverse things; no one can fall different. Our character has set. We have door will certainly swing upon its divine the Jesuits. Until quite recently, the who knows how to rectify his course by ceased to advance, and the world travels hinges, before such a man. His call and Gallican clergy was proud to assert its nomination, other then by congregations past errors. The error is not so bad as your away from us, leaving us to drop out of the endowment will be evident to others; rights for France in any conflict with want of disposition to correct it. Try this ranks as stragglers for whom society has no for the presence of the Holy Spirit can-

such a false step you lose your moral equi- through the soul. poise, and the little is the balance. A good beginning youth, so elastic as to yield harmlessly, or in along a wearisome life after they have age to stand up against this mighty made by Rev. Wm. Lloyd — pastor of frequent and large indebtedness. We know when you can, and stay as long as you can. is more than half the battle, in the year's the strength of manhood able to battle for entered the regular ministry, hardly power in all France, and represent in Washington Square M. E. Church, and sec- of no magazine fuller or richer on the sub-

One advantage of the Bible is its lofty ideal of the spiritual life. It gives us a type of the heavenly things, and bids us mount towards this divine ideal. It is quite possible you have not been able to attain its altiat the end of life. It is a life-plan. Your you from fresh efforts.

to it. You may not be able to do so in a monisi linea - no day without a line.

In entering on this week you are turning the first leaf in a new and mysterious voltains. You cannot know what joys and sorrows are bound up in it for you. The enclosed fortunes of a human life are to be unrolled to you day by day. The full and immediate revelation might prove intolerable; nence it is toned and moderated and unfolded, as you are able to bear it.

The year may be to you one of great sor row and darkness; want, disease, death may be before you. On the other hand, it all sorts. No one can tell what good and ill are mingled for you, you as little us any one. All the hopeful signs which now lead you to that now darken your sky may melt into the sunshine of the advancing year. You need not be overmuch cast down; nor should you another. You should be profoundly grateful that He knows your wants, and is deeply interested to do the best for you. Let your trust be in Him. Take His word as your counselor and as the light to your path. With these aids, and in the discharge of known duty, you will insure all good and avoid the ill, along your future path.

Many persons are anxious to know what is to be their future life. This fact is not The whole life on earth has a unity. The folded, developed, matured. The earlier As you pass another of these signals, stop portion of our being is simply projected on

here will be found nothing in death to inwhatever quality is the stream of our moral And we will not, Heaven's offer we refuse. existence, it will flow on into the ocean of

observe what is now being recorded. That The depressing influence of failure has is the record which will be unfolded in the

ess. The soldier beaten in the first battle, and changes of life weigh upon and dampen vices. becomes demoralized and finds it difficult to the spirit. Amid the strange upheaval, the

It is the true ideal. You were made to rise make but one experiment of life. It behooves you to do the best the first time.

out in purity and beauty. You have anoth- opening of a new year. The year on which er year for this noble work. Nulla dies you now enter, is, in an important sense, a its record to the throne of judgment. But the privilege of improving what was defectwhat had been left undone.

but for eternity. The conduct of this year odism in Boston Highlands. Brother is to be one of the factors entering into that T. R. Hawley was a merchant until the future life. If you can think of anything in day of his death, and a much more the past you would like to improve, do that efficient worker for his Master, than if thing rightly this year.

Most men have a consciousness of somein it, awakens in us.

Of those capable of good services, the num-Some fail for want of a deep and pervading conviction, a solemn and set purpose. Their heart is not in it, and therefore the work is not done. The great lives are those that have come out of the heart: out of it are the issues of lives. Their work has absorbed

Others fail for want of due preparation. With the natural gifts requisite to perform grand deeds for God and humanity, there has been a neglect of those human adjustments which alone can render natural qualities ef-

"The means that Heaven yields must be embraced.

Man is a bundle of possibilities; and you are to determine, to a large extent, how

HOW TO DO IT.

A Presiding Elder writes his thanks for the editorial upon "Sifting the Pulpit;" but asks how it is to be done? Certainly no persons can render more efficient aid than this much discussed Church officer. All licenses to preach and recommendations to Conference come under his eye, and are submitted to his godly judgment. It requires some nerve to stand up against the persistent request of a not over modest Presiding Elder yields at every point where his personal judgment and hon-Every period of life has its duties and est convictions place him in opposition ide al, but it is the part of a wise man to trials. Youth is the training school; mature to the unwise and weak sentiment of until he had learned the native lancom ings, delinquencies of the past year may dens of the way; and age finds difficulty in he in the ordering of the economy of the Church? It is better that one, or a few, suffer than many. It is better that prosecution of the voyage of life. You will test of our virtue. A change, of course, is an inefficient young man should be peryou be wise to profit by it in the regulation disadvantages. It must leave our physical to the itinerant ministry, than that he of after conduct. He is a bold and good and social condition worse. The march is should be encouraged to accept responsibilities he can never meet; to place chart of life is to be improved by the rocks comparative obscurity. We find the world himself where his whole life will be an embarrassment, his usefulness destroyed, and the Church be burdened with the disheartening task of carrying another unproductive laborer and his family in her hands.

But what if a man seems honestly and powerfully moved by the Holy Spirit to preach? Let him preach, by did excellent service as lay ministers in people. poise, and the future is filled with attempts It is, too, a misfortune that comes not in the vicinity of their homes, have dragged

giving up of the circuit system, and and has taken refuge in Switzerland. Removals of the Church members from the forever.

giving up of the circuit system, and making a Conference station of every
The dying, awakened to a consciousness of their mistakes, often sigh for a new probatheir mistakes, often sigh for a new probatheir mistakes, often sigh for a new probatheir mistakes, often sigh for a new probathe circuit system, and making a Conference station of every Here he has had his book translated inministers; the lineax of Catholics and forsigners; the death of the older members, and thus it again appears to the straying away of their children; of a secular atmosphere, are apt to become tion in which the errors of the first one may life among many of these small charges European world. The very fact that too little pulpit eloquence; churches not very human when tangible. These people be corrected. In the retrospect life seems through the competition of adjoining and he has not the liberty of speech and the sufficiently attractive; too many churches sible you have not been able to attain its altitude; you will be able fully to realize it only

sible you have not been able to attain its altimore significant than ever before, and they

popular Churches, rendering a special
press in France, proves the power of
"Methodism is going to wreck in New would gladly retrace their steps. Sad and order of talent necessary; and partly to those who now oppose him. failure in former attempts need not deter startling as may be the thought, your path the lay preachers themselves, who, instartling as may be the thought, your path can never be retrodden. The journey you stead of pushing out as their predecesmake is ever onward into the depths of the sors, years ago, were accustomed to do, of their operations, but are determined, the diagnosis, they all assert, "There must you this pattern of the things in the heavens. great and mysterious future. You can have waited for the stationed preachers to arrange their work for them.
The result is, nothing is done. They hold still their licenses to preach, but possess the two most ambitious powers ment. The canvas must be retouched again and again, you have what is next to it in the "No man hath hired us." There is ready to make material and spiritual to carry the Gospel, as a practical thing and work enough everywhere. These men conquests where the way is open to a real life, into the heathendom by which might be our best city missionaries; them. Abbé Michaud deserves the crednew probation. It is a space of time sepa- but they must do as Moody does — se- it of having unveiled many of their them have not fallen into the worship of but they must do as Moody does — se- it of having unveiled many of their them have not fallen into the worship of the worship rated from the past. That past cannot be cure their own halls and preaching plans, and it is a great pity that all the pretensions of fashion, and the selfishrecalled or improved. It has gone up with places, or gather their own Suaday- France could not read his book and learn ness of wealth; whether they have not schools, and then draw together their the urgency of their condition. He as- struggled to build costly churches, and ume. No one but God knows what it con-You may do in the coming year what you an effectual way of testing the call to more open than ever before in their are a manifestation of Scriptural religion? failed to do in the coming year want you failed to do in the past. It is as though you could live a section of life over again, with merchant of this city went out to Rox-bold on the most important civil and so for New York, situated among the well-to-do and thickly-settled of her citizens, are bury, and held prayer-meetings in a cial institutions for their special benefit. ive, of righting what was wrong, of doing private house, having, at first, but an Already they have immense power in exhorter's license. A religious interest the army, the schools, the press, the civ- Trinity, Rev. Stephen H. Tyng, jr., D. D. Use this year as not abusing it. Do the was awakened; the Town Hall was il administration, and all benevolent in- pastor, is very similarly situated, but prenoblest things; do them so as to leave no re- soon after hired; a great revival of re- stitutions. He declares Romanism to grets at the close. Improve the time now ligion followed, and a Church of nearly given as you will wish you had done when one hundred members was formed. eternity dawns. You live not for the hour, This was the commencement of Meth-

> The members of quarterly conferthing in them that is never brought out. ences who sit upon the applications for With some the opportunity was never af- license and recommendations, must are the abject slaves of the priests. The forded; the field was never opened that would faithfully ask themselves the question, lend scope to their peculiar gifts and pow. whether the proposed candidate would ers; or, as we say, they never had a chance. be an acceptable pastor of their own A far larger number are condemned for Church, or preacher in their pulpit. neglect of their chance. When the field is Sometimes an excellent gift may be closed against us, Providence mercifully misjudged; but no serious harm will papal slipper." hides from ourselves our gifts, and possibili- be done. If one has upon his soul a ties for its cultivation; but as the field opens dispensation of the Spirit to preach the to us, the sense of adaptation to do something Gospel, as in the instance of the evangelist who now has a world-wide reputation, no ordinary obstacle will disber of actual doers is comparatively small. courage him. There will be a fire in his bones that he cannot quench, and it will burst out, however smothered. He will somehow or somewhere demonstrate to all that love his Lord, that a

he had rushed into the itinerant min-

dispensation of the Spirit has been committed unto him. But our schools of learning have their peculiar responsibility in this matter. All of these, even to the theological number of their students. It becomes early known in a young man's course whether he is looking to the ministry or not. Indeed, from the entrance to really all shades of opinion, and worm many political masks, even to being a real political masks, even to many political masks, even to being a real political masks, even to be real political masks are real political masks. Others miss the hour. The tide goes out the academy, many of this class receive republican and revolutionist. He is now graft upon the same disposition of work, a new year. He comes with much experience, ere they get ready to launch. A few moments sooner, and great things might have
uisitions of these societies, if fairly

devoted to the fanatics of the highest
and the lowest orders in France, that
as Moody says, "go for the masses," there
rial writer. He has an honored position
would "be no complaining in our streets."

Incomes with much experience,
and great things might have indifferent students. Still, honest con victions of the lack of adaptation or cal to the ministry are often felt by professors in these institutions without being expressed to the persons themselves For the sake of the young men, and for the good of the Church, as delicate and painful as is the task, where the prom ise of usefulness seems so small, as we are personally assured it does in not a few instances, the golden rule, and duty to God and his Church demand a faithful utterance on the part of godly professors. These young men should not be encouraged to plod hopelessly along a seven or three years' course, to be disheartened and afflicted all the rest of their lives, and to be a wearisome burden for the Church, without any adequate return, to bear.

We have no fear of quenching the Spirit, or discouraging one that has a true call to preach. You cannot put out heavenly fire. If Carey could not secure a missionary board to send him to India, he was ready to go himself at his own charge; and when he found his way hedged up, to commence his work, he went into an indigo factory before him. It is well to feel somewhat pungently the urgency of the divine call to the ministry, so that one may accept it heartily, as a life-long bride, for better for worse, for richer for poorer, until death us do part. It is the sublimest and most blessed of all human service. Its discomforts are as nothing where the divine call and the divine benediction are not lacking; but if one runs before he is sent, or without his message, woe betide him, and the people for whom he attempts to minister!

FRANCE AND THE JESUITS.

One of the enigmas of the period to all means, if God calls him into the the student of history, is the extent to cates the presence of a diseased system. work. God's providences are all in which, of late years, France has been Rome, and the Vatican was well aware year to do ictter. Forget the things behind; more use. These facts awaken in us a sense not be hid. But it is not necessary nor that it could find no abject slaves in the individual Churches; or, finally, that of our misfortune. The battle moves on, advisable for all men that are called to French priests. But since the war with the denomination is falling behind in the rabut to our surprise new actors, like spec- preach and endowed with certain effect- Germany, especially, all this is bravely tio of the cities' growth, and the advance The profit year obtain from this year de- tres, appear on the field. It seems beyond all ive gifts, to become itinerants, or to altered, and though France bears the pends smuch on the way you begin it. A belief that they can have come to supersede yield their daily labor, for the sole work name of "Republic," it is, in reality, wrong step in the start perpetuates itself. those who have so long held the fortunes of of the ministry. Hundreds of excellent bound hand and foot by the Order of than usually plentiful and plaintive. To You trip on through the whole journey like the day. It is even so; it is a revelation local preachers, who readily earned a Jesuits, whose intrigues enter into eva man who makes a misstep on the ice. By that sends sadness, disappointment, panic, handsome living, and, at the same time, ery measure that is brought before the Sun furnished its readers, on the Wedness

The only man who has had the cour-

onfidence which is a grand element of sucmiddence which is a grand ele It is a misfortune that the local minwork entitled, "The present condition
pit of the Reformed Church, Madison Avenue. His departure does not, however, regain confidence; but he who begins with a whole tide of things has turned against him. istry in some of our Conferences, has of the Roman Catholic Church in regain connidence; but ne who begins with a good plan and makes the first engagement a good plan and makes the first engagement a success, goes on from conquering to consider the church of the decline of makes the church of the decline of the decline of the church of

> be a consuming cancer in a Republic not historical proof of it in his book.

> Michaud affords abundant evidence that the proud Church of France has succumbed to the despotic commands of Jesuitical rule and shows that French Bishops are now the obedient instruments of the Vatican. The priests have Bishops, and the great mass of the laity last act of this enslavement occurred when the Bishops quietly bowed to the dogma of infailibility. This subserviency has gone so far that the French episcopacy has become but "dust under the A significant element of Jesuitical

strength among the laity is a so-called 'lay-party," whose principal organ in vers, published in Paris, and controlled by the notorious Veuillot. This sheet seminaries, are anxious to swell the and talent to the work for the money Tyng, "Your Church is the greatest soulven the pious Montalembert once

> ahead, and is evidently the pet of the most fanatical Catholics of France. He is the great shield and protector of the aims to be political. Directly or indi vices during the summer. - Church Jour rectly, he works against the republic, nal. and is openly in favor of the restoration of the ancient monarchy, and a war of revenge against Germany. He works revenge against Germany. He works servative Protestant Episcopal Church has was given the meeting by Mr. Davies, lately with all his energy to stir up hatred gone and done it, while Methodist preach- from Charleston, S. C., on his work and obamong different classes of society, and ers' meetings have been discussing the best servations in that city. He takes a very encourages his followers to take an act- modes of doing it. There is nothing left for Methodism to do but to pocket the mortification of being pelgrimages. And the more this policy behindhand in at least one great scheme for people in their relations to Church and State, was read. A committee was appointed to brought in a bill to make perfectly free to all sects the right of assembling for to all sects the right of assembling for ers. because the Jesuit is in French politics.

METROPOLITAN METHODISM.

That unerring pulse of New York Meth-First, it is a wail that the masses are unreached; then, that there are no old-fashnomination, other than by congregations removing to new sites; or, that the ment of other religious bodies. Recently, led on by Rev. Doctors, the Jeremiahs of such an extent was this indulged, that the day following, with an editorial on "The Wreck of Methodism." The following work. It gives you command of yourself, position; but it happens to man when his able to support and educate their fami- his native land the principles of oppo- ond in pulpit popularity to no Methodist jects of which it treats.

and of your work. It inspires that physical nature begins to yield, when the lies, and simply being endured rather sition to the new-fangled dogmas of the now in the city—that he had withdrawn

The Jesuits are not satisfied with York because of the itinerancy," and that whole-souled earnestness and genuine faith, the doctrines and practices of the Founder Sham; whether they have not catered to

mourning their small congregations and large expenses, the Church of the Holy sents a very different picture. With a debi of \$200 000 on the church edifice, he carries on most successfully in connection with his less than in a monarchy, and gives the Church, the "Gospel Tent" services; a "temperance meeting;" "the Philip and Andrew Society;" "the Mary and Martha Society;" "the Dorcas Society;" an "Industrial Sewing-school;" "Young Ladies' Sewing Society;" "the Orphanage;" "Dispensary and Infirmary;" "Home for Christian Care;" " House of the Evangelists;" "Lay Preachers' Association;" become willing tools in the hands of the "Home Bible readings in different houses;" "Two separate Sunday-schools in the Church, with separate officers and teachers in the morning, and another in the afternoon;" besides two mission Sundayschools. Every Sunday night the People's Service, popularized, and the news practically free, and crowded houses all the time, and services every night in the week. It is a protracted meeting all the year round, so systematized and adjusted, that everything runs easily and harmoniously, with the machinery all out of sight.

One hundred and twenty were confirmed the press is the paper known as L'Uni a fortnight since, and, a few months pre- Keown, a former pastor, delivered an earviously, over three hundred, of white and has set itself as the guard and censor of cluded in the method of Church are all inthe French clergy, and holds the rod pastor proclaims that it has been his study, good speaking was mingled with material over them so completely that its editor since the foundation of his Church, fifteen comforts. Addresses were made by the pasand proprietor is popularly known as years ago, to bring the rich and poor togeth- tor, Rev. B. P. Raymond, Chaplain Butler, the "Pope of France," Veuillot is a er in one church home, on an equality be- Rev. R. W. C. Farnsworth and many others man of rare acumen, just such as Rome fore God, as indicated by the New Testa- of the active laymen and excellent ladies of man of rare acumen, just such as Rome chooses as its instruments, and is no the Holy Spirit, his Church has very nearly quarter of a century will be even more prosfanatical religionist, but rather a man reached that ideal. No wonder a close ob- perous than the first. of a frivolous character who gives zeal server of religious methods remarked to Dr.

called his sheet, the "journal of the cler- build up class Churches, some for rich and and widest success. some for poor, is the bane of Protestantism, The clerical party pretends, at times, and, with the want of more spiritual life, to be displeased with his zeal, but in the especial difficulty with New York city every contest he is sure to come out Methodism.

EVANGELIZATION OF CITIES.

On last Sunday evening Bishop Potter Jesuits in France, and openly sustains them in all their efforts to obtain possession of places of power in the Church of the Moly Tribity, Session of places of power in the Church of the Church this state third confirmation in this Church this year (the three and in the schools. Veuillot has completely thrown off the religious mask in his sheet, and openly proclaimed his they were nearly all brought in by the tent ser-

succeeds, the higher rises the stock of evangelizing the non church-going masses, all Jesuitical enterprises. When the invest a little of her spare change in tents Protestant deputy in the French cham. and select the tent preachers.guarantee them bers - the well-known Pressensé - a living, and send them into the parks,

religious purposes, he was voted down A member of the New England Conferthing arranged, and prospects good for a at the dictate of Veuillot, who threw in- ence feels drawn toward this work. There to his face these arrogant words: is not a man on earth, not excepting D. L. When we are in the minority we such a work as this. It seems to me that he claim the liberty of our principles; was put together by the Creator for an when we are in the majority we deny evangelist to the masses, and forcordained it to you according to our own." This is before the foundation of the world for this G. B. McClellan writes a solid paper, lightthe policy of the Jesuits, not only in enterprise in this generation. When Bar-France, but everywhere. The recent num's big show was in Boston, the Y. M. C. crisis in the French ministry was caused Association obtained permission to hold a Charles Barnard has a suggestive and valureligious service for his employees in one by the demands of the French clergy, of his tents. They employed this preacher and men rise or fall in France more be. to preach to this crew of rough and godless ing how co-operation between generous capcause of their religious alliances, than men. Fastidious Christians criticised the on account of their political convictions - movement as derogatory to the Gospel ministry. Nevertheless, our good brother boldly preached Christ in the menagerie. The efmon. Possibly ten times that number were is both entertaining and instructive. saved. "Were there not ten cleansed, bu where are the nine? There are not found to give glory to God, save this stranger. If any man of wealth wishes to put his money where he will be absolutely sure of the fruitage of saved souls in large numbers

> ren and sisters whom God has blessed with this world's goods in abundance, take this proposition with you into your closets, and hear what the Spirit of the Lord may say. DANIEL STEELE. 7th page should be credited to the Ameri-

as his dividends payable at the resurrection

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Editorial Items.

One of the most practical and best evidences of the superiority and truth of the Christian religion, is found in the fact that shade. The virtues, so luminous in the haze are good, but, after all, not quite what we anticipated.

Systems will not stand the test better than men. In the distance that doctrine looks

to show great rents and flaws. True as this view may be of all human schemes, it is not applicable to the Gospel. or to the Master who gave the Gospel. other religion has been tested so closely or so long. Others have disappeared under the test; this remains, the cherished faith of the wisest and best part of mankind. To know t intimately is to appreciate it most highly.

Who ever passed through such a critical examination as Jesus Christ? And yet who has ever held such a place in the affection of good men? He is the only person in human form who will bear close investigation. To know Him intimately is to admire and love. Those who do not love Him, are such as do not know Him. Strangers to Him, alone, While numbers of the Methodist Churches hate Him. Here is one being about whom you need have no fear of finding anything that will not bear examination.

> A short trip to New York gave us an opportunity to read The International fo. January and February. We found it very attractive. Prof. Curtius gives a learned de scription of the unearthed treasures received from Greece and just arranged in the Berlin Museum. The venerable seer - W. C. Brvant - has a solemn and musical sonnet upon the Dangers of Manhood. A literary Frenchman writes upon Parislan Art in 1876. Principal Dawson punctures the logic of Prof. Huxley's New York lectures, in a very clear and pungent review. Prof. E. W. Clark. for several years past a professor in the National College of Japan, writes intelligently of Japan Among the Nations. He tells some wholesome truths, not discouraging, indeed, but tending to give soberer views of the evangelization and Christian civilization of that country. R. R. Bowker gives a very thoughtful review of Deronda. The editor writes vigorously, and somewhat pessimistically, of political corruption. The miscellany of the number is abundant and interest-

The Allen St. M. E. Church, of New Bedford held an interesting quarter of a century anniversary last Friday evening. Dr. Mc nest discourse upon the fundamental docblack, rich and poor. Bread, coal, employ- trine of the new birth. At its close the audicluded in the methods of Church work. The social and commemorative festival. Much

The three late editors of The Watchman. upon one of the most respected of our large It is certain, we think, that the disposition to religious weeklies. We wish him the best

The attention of our readers is called to the interesting programme published last week. of the Sunday-school Convention for Lynn District, to be held at Union Square Church, Somerville, Jan. 10th. The convention is intended to be a unique affair, treating wholly upon the religious side of the Sabbath-school, which is very timely at this hour of increasing religious interest. Let there be a full attendance. The convention is to begin at 9 30 A. M., and continue through the day and evening. Collations will be fur-

Notwithstanding the late watching on the Praise the Lord that one man has solved previous night by many of the brethren, the hopeful view of matters. A paper from Rev. Brother Middleton, of South Carolina, on was read. A committee was appointed to consider the propriety of hereafter closing the doors of the Preachers' Meeting to all but preachers, except on the first Monday of ments for the general missionary meeting, to be held on Friday evening, reported everygrand meeting.

Scribner's Monthly opens the year with a fine number. Prof. Boyesen gives an interesting article, which is admirably illus trated, upon Norway and Norsemen. Gen. ened by pleasant personal incidents, upon a winter on the Nile, which is also illustrated. able paper, enhanced by the fine wood-cuts upon English workingmen's homes; showitalists and their workmen, or by combins tions among themselves, a better and very tasteful class of private dwellings may be secured. Dr. Holland continues his story fects of that one sermon will not be fully A laughable tale of the Dutch Tulip mania known till the day of judgment. Five of is well told. The editorial discusses the these employees have written to the preach- Chinese question, the moral value of phys er that they were led to Christ by that ser- ical Strength, etc. Altogether the numbe

> The season is propitious for religious work, and especially for revival efforts The close of the year is a time of thoughtfulness, the new year of good resolutions. In many of our Churches there is a spirit of deep thoughtfulness, a ground swell of prayer and wrestling, which may prove an incoming tide of salvation. The pastors are leading and sharing in this spirit and work. We are glad to learn that, at a meeting of the pastors of the Churches in this city and vicinity held last week, they resolved, almost spontaneously - the suggestion comspecial fast-day service on Friday, Jan 12. The public services will be held in tinuous, without intermission, through the Pray and labor with faith. We shall refer to this matter again, next week.

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fear there will be a shrinkage of our list in some places. One brother sent us to-day,

ive and of practical value.

The Boston Daily Advertiser Annual for the famous Tribune Almanac. It has a full name, who once enjoyed their hospitality. roll of the Fe. eral Government, and forty. fifth Congress, with the last presidential vote of the New England States. It presents the names of the governors of all the States; the square miles and population of the latter, with the usual calendar, and a variety of miscellany and fine illustrations.

The family edition of the Boston Alma nac and Directory for 1876 is promptly published. It is found a necessity in every household where it has been so long annually welcomed in the city. Published by Sampson, Davenport & Co., 155 Franklin

It has been suggested by the committee on the all-day service at Bromfield Street, that the Churches in the various centres in New England be requested to unite in similar services on the same day, Friday, January 12. Let there be prayer and fasting in all our Churches!

tional interest, with a list of Unitarian min- event. isters and their parishes.

and attractive table of contents. It is a choice Cole opposed the "evolution theory," and Over \$300 have already been received tolittle journal and deserves a wide circulation. Dr. Rice advocated theistic evolution.

e months a parcel of from fifty outward.

the announcements made in the churches of in most of our churches, and the Week of Magee's. Bishop Foster will preside, and Rev. Drs. Newman, Buckley, and A. S. Hunt, and General Clinton B. Fisk will deliver addresses. On Saturday, at 10-30 A. M., a missionary love-feast will be descripted from the Republic of Street Chargh; also and present strength. held in the Bromfield Street Church; also, at 2 P. M., a Missionary Conference meeting in the same place. At the Saturday meetout December 15th, and sends its Christmas ary offering on Sunday, January 7.

It is confidently hoped that the Methodists permanent gracious results! of this vicinity will respond to the summons to listen to these able speakers on this most larger attendance this term. Mr. C. H. pressing and important of all subjects at the Raymond, of Middletown, in the departand enthusiastically attended.

Notes from the Churches.

MASSACHUSETTS.

NOTES FROM CAPE COD. At Sandwich, under Rev. C. S. Nutter, an earnest winter's work for God.

At West Sandwich, the Church, under an ount of \$45. Rev. C. E. Waiker, has "heard the sound of the Lord's going in the tops of the mul-berry trees," and is rejoicing in the salva-tion of the people. For more than six weeks

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herst, read his essay upon "Tobacco in tion of the people. For more than six weeks they have been holding extra meetings, assisted by neighboring pastors. At the end of the third week only one had been con- with a large number of pupils. Mr. Eaton hitherto directly committed themselves to the association. To sum up on this quesverted, but all the while the tide had been steadily rising. Within the next two weeks Skowhegan is to have a lecture course this

ous campaign. Out of the ninety converts, W. H. H. Murray and Wendell Phillips are Methodism in Maine is an item in our Church true spirituality. "The Needs of the N. H. Hours from 9 till 2

We are glad to receive from some of our tion. Whoever may be appointed to Fal- Mr. Amos Abbott, of Upton, committed ministers, the most unmistakable evidence mouth another year will find a good founfor each mail brings us more or less new sub-

North Easton. - The church recently do- Mrs. Abby Merrill, of Gardiner, widow of ave new names from a small country charge; nated to the M. E. Society at North Easton the late Dr. Joseph Merrill, was found dead hundreds of others might do as well if they place was record. A cold climate is not flattering to us. God can do place, was re-opened December 28th. Rev. teemed Christian lady, and will be much would make the effort. Let each minister Lewis B. Bates of Boston preached the dismissed in society. see that all his people have an opportunity course, which was an able and very interesting presentation of the power and progress- village was destroyed by fire Dec. 20th. We are indebted to Dr. Albert Day, of Messrs. Morrison and G. H. Bates, former among the buildings burned. Estimated the Washingtonian Home, for a copy of the pastors, and Livesey, Chaffin, Sheldon and loss \$10,000, with but little insurance. first number of the Quarterly Journal of Williams, took part in the services. The Inchriety, published under the auspices of church comes into the hands of the trustees in the HERALD are read with much interest the American Association for the cure of with bell, organ, stoves and other fixtures, in his native State, and it is hoped that more inebriates. It is edited by Dr. Crothers of all in the gift, and has been moved to an of them will be forthcoming; but in a recent Trenton. Bighampton, N. Y., and is issued from the eligible and commanding location just off the communication he makes a slight mistake press of Case, Leckwood and Brainard, main street. The generosity of Mr. Ames, In the roll of honorable names comprising herefore, Conn. If the succeeding numbers and the prompt response of the society to his the Maine Conference in 1831, he says: compare in value with the present, it will be easy conditions, obviated the necessity of the "There is but one effective man remaining, essential service in the great reform. customary begging. After the services the I think, Rev. D. B. Randall." Rev. A. San The address of Dr. Mason, and the paper of new Ames Memorial Church, erected by the derson is still effective and doing good ser Dr. Beard upon the causes of the increase same gentleman at an expense of about vice for Christ and the Church, which Broth-seventy in America, are specially inseventy thousand dollars, was inspected by er Trafton will be undoubtedly very happy Methodist Church in Millbridge. Seven Dr. Beard upon the causes of the increase same gentleman at an expense of about vice for Christ and the Church, which Brothstructive. The miscellany is also suggest- many present, and was pronounced one of the most beautiful churches in New England. The Ames family have long greatly assisted Methodism in North Easton, and are dis-1877, combines many of the best qualities of tantly related to our Bishop of the same May God bless the donor!

> Palmer. - The M. E. Church in this place has been greatly blessed of late. Rev. I. T. ciety the largest success. commenced laboring with the pas efforts with them, Sunday, Dec. 10th. Over for the year past has been 398. thirty were led to the world's Redeemer and through faith in the efficacy of His blood for Maine was formed in Lewiston, Dec. 18th, were made to rejoice in the God of their salto bless his efforts! T.

> celved a letter from Brother Johnson, from Wednesday of February. The Church in his home at Oxford, stating that he had been Lewiston are enjoying prosperity; the tem examined by a doctor, who said one of his lungs was affected, and advised him to de- for the suppression of intoxicating drinks; sist from his work. He added that he might and the various relief societies are looking go South in a few weeks.

Plymouth. - A happy bridal party asevening, December 4th, to witness the nup-The American Unitarian Association is- tials of his eldest daughter to Henry Harrisues its annual under the title of the Year son Cole, esq., of Taunton. The ceremonial still the popular superintendent. Book of the Unitarian Congregational was performed by Rev. J. W. Malcolm, Churches for 1877. It has the usual calen- All the arrangements were such as to give moved within the past year from its old site, dar, and all important items of denomina- most pleasing effect to so auspicious an to a more eligible one in the village, thor

Springfield District. - Our District A despatch to Eben Shute, esq., of this Preachers' Meeting, like the last, was a city, announces that the noted and devoted decided improvement on former years. singing leader and author, of the West, P. The Presiding Elder presided. The attend-P. Bliss, with his wife, were among the victims of the terrible disaster at Ashtabula. No traces of their remains could be found, and interesting. Dr. Twombly read a sharp, The children are safe, not having been on the train.

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The ladies of the Temperance Union of Portland, opened their new coffee-house, The Presiding Elder also gave his views on The Christian Banner, a sixteen-page il- the subject. Others participated. All were dustrated monthly, published by Lockwood, on one side, and hoped for more circuits They received their friends in this workshop Brooks & Co., 38! Washington Street, for the American Tract Society, at the low price of and Dr. W. Rice took issue on the evolu-American Tract Society, at the low price of and Dr. W. Rice took issue on the evolu-50 cents a year (or to clubs, at 30 cents), en- tion theory without either evolving a settleters upon its nineteenth volume with a full ment of the great controversy. Brother furnishing of this temperance restaurant.

Rev. E. R. Thorndike gave a valuable THE MILLION SERIES TRACT.—The beau-paper upon Revivals. It awakened a live membership of 600 — men redeemed from tiful tract on "Christian Life and Consecra- and brotherly discussion. Surely, Method. strong drink - and 6,000 on the general tion," a million copies of which were ordered by the Tract Society for gratultous dissubject as in few others. It proved so, dent at the annual meeting. ed by the Tract Society for gratuitous dis-tribution, has been widely circulated. Sev-eral thousand copies still remain. With ev-called "evangelists," all earnestly contend-

ing stamps to pay postage, as follows: work as expecting a glorious harvest of for 100 copies, four cents; for 200 copies, souls. In Holyoke, South Hadley Falls, years he has been on this charge. eight cents; for 300 hundred copies, twelve South Deerfield, Leyden and Palmer, alcents; for 400 copies, sixteen cents; for 500 ready triumphs of faith are witnessed. In copies, twenty cents; for 1,000 copies, forty many other places the omens are excellent. have united with that Church during the No application will be honored, except those signed by a regular pastor or Presid-lingham, of South Hadley Falls, was the re-MISSIONARY MEETINGS. - According to exercises. Watch-night services were held

this city and vicinity last Sunday, a grand Prayer is being observed in many of them. missionary mass meeting will be held in Dr. Upham made a fine address upon the Tremont Temple, Friday evening, January limit of the period of pastoral service at the 5th, at 7 o'clock - the doors to be opened at late preachers' meeting. Others followed, 6 o'clock to those holding lickets supplied to the pastors for distribution, and at J. P. most of whom dealt severely with the com-mittees who seek to interfere with the pas-

ings there will be presented brief testimo-nies from many returned missionaries, and 15,000 readers. The Presiding Eider has a synoptical review of our missionary work. sixty-three appointments for the quarter, The secretaries of the Missionary Society, which means fifty-four sermons, nineteen Drs. Dashiell and Reid, will be present at love-feasts, fifty-six quarterly conferences, all the meetings. The committee appointed and more than 2,000 miles of travel. It with the blessing of the Lord, substantially realized their church ediffer. to arrange for these meetings recommend means an admirable opportunity to lator to repaired their church edifice. that each Church make its annual mission- the utmost of one's physical powers for the welfare of Zion. May it not be without of love among his people, and has brought

Wilbraham Academy has a considerably present, and that the meetings will be fully ment of elocution, adds real strength to the faculty. Our ministers and friends would scarce do a nobler service to the cause of education and their youth than to encourage them to attend this most excellent seat of learning.

MAINE.

Belarade. - The Methodist society of affairs are moving pleasantly. Connected with this Church is a praying band, whose friends and neighbors, gathered at the house the temperance reform is making rapid and with this Church is a praying band, whose labors with the neighboring Churches have been blessed in the salvation of many souls.

Belgrade Mills and Depot, with other hands and neighbors, gathered at the house of the pastor, Rev. J. W. Smith, on the evening of the 28th, and enjoyed a very than in our national Congress. His labors were lost. Two or three persons were than in our national Congress. His labors with the temperance reform is making rapid and the temperance reform is making ra Already souls are inquiring the way of life and salvation, and the Church is planning supper, etc. Money and other necessaries will be productive of great good in Maine.

A new temperature scalety antitled "The

for each mail brings us more or result in the second secretary and the second s one of the best for some years.

The business portion of Phillips upper ness of the peace of Christ; and Rev. Five stores and two dwelling-houses were The " reminiscences" of Brother Trafton

to learn. A Young Men's Covenant Band was or ganized in the Baptist Church in Skowhegan, Sunday, Dec. 24th.

The revival interest at South Paris still the Methodist Church, is having a very from their carriage, have nearly recovered, prosperous year. We wish him and his so-

There are now in the insane hospital at tor and Church November 19, and closed his Augusta 405 patients. The daily average

A Grand Lodge of the Knights of Honor with subordinate lodges in Lewiston, Auvation. Earnest, faithful, persevering, were burn, Augusta, Bath, and Waterville. the labors of Brother J. May God continue George A. Callahan of Lewiston was chosen dictator for the Grand Lodge. The annual P. S. Since writing the above, I have re- session will be held in Augusta, the third perance organizations are actively engaged after the destitute and the distressed. C.

The High Street Methodist Church in Gorsembled at the residence of Captain Jesse ham held their annual exhibition of the Sun-R. Atwood, on Leyden Street, on Monday day-school, Tuesday evening, Dec. 26th. The church was crowded, and the exercises were very interesting. R. G. Harding is

The church edifice at Duck Pond has been oughly reconstructed and reseated, and will be reopened Tuesday, January 9th, at 2 P. M.

The Allen mission, under the superintendency of Capt. Sturdivant, has distributed the past year, to the poor in money, provision and fuel, six hundred and eleven dollars. besides a large number of garments and shoes.

The ladies of the Temperance Union of which they have fitted up under the Adams House, on New Year's day, with a reception. citizens of Portland have contributed to the

The reform club of Portland shows a

ery grant of tracts made by our society for ed for revivals, working from the "inside, church, Monday evening, Dec. 25th. The now in the 89th year of his age, and in the exercises were interesting, and the gifts 58th of his membership of the Church, and The Baptists of Hopkinton have a new to three hundred of these tracts will be sent. We are happy to know that this doctrine abundant, in which the pastor and wife retains his physical and mental powers to church bell, weighing eight hundred pounds, is not a theory alone with us. Our preach- shared. The past year with this society has Pastors desiring any number of this tract, ers are experimental believers. Not in been a very prosperous one; but work, most and promising to distribute it, will please doubtful expedients, but, seizing upon the make application immediately forward-great resources of spiritual power, they Brother Adams' quarterly report shows

Christmas trees and festivals have been gen-

membership. ing Elder of the Church. Send to J. H. cipient of a fine sleigh, two turkeys, etc. The on "Music among men and mice," at Con-Westfield Church greatly enjoyed a great gress Street Methodist Church, Thursday evening, Dec. 28th, and lectured also in the Kennebunk village course Friday evening.

The boys of the State Reform School enjoyed a pleasant evening, Wednesday, Dec. 27th, in a Christmas festival provided by the superintendent, Mr. Wentworth, together with singing, addresses, dialogues, in which the boys participated. Each of the 140 boys received a Christmas present.

EAST MAINE.

Arrowsic. - A good work has been accomplished in the past few years on the Rockland District, in the building and repairing of churches. In communities where the cause of Christ has suffered for want of suitable places of worship, people now gather in their pleasant Sabbath homes Our brethren in Arrowsic, stimulated and led on by their pastor, Rev. O. Tyler, have,

Brother T. has been untiring in his labors sion. Much interest was made manifest in the reopening exercises which occurred Dec. 16th. The writer discoursed to the people, and was much gratified with their good order and attention. God is still in Zion. Brother Tyler has of late rejoiced in the salvation of souls. J. BRAN.

Prof. Geo. S. Foster, of Fredericton, New Brunswick, is now engaged in a lecturing tour upon temperance throughout our State. He spoke greatly to our edification at City

ministers, the most unmistakable evidence mouth another year will find a good foundation upon which to build once more a that they are not neglecting the Herald; the most unmistakable evidence dation upon which to build once more a strong Methodist Church. Brother Hambter it before the same and two years old on the 13th of them was thought advisable, in fact, necessary to the best interests of New Hampter in the same and two years old on the 13th of them was thought advisable, in fact, necessary to the best interests of New Hampter in the same and th able labor, and greatly enjoys the society of friends and neighbors.

It is estimated that 500,000 tons of ice were shipped from the Kennebec and its tributa-the spirit of the Master—self-sacrifice. ries the past year. The sales at an average of two dollars per ton would return a har-

School at Castine has recently opened. The ports some interest at Henniker. Sinners entering class numbers seventeen. But fiftynine are in attendance this term. The prinhis position for the winter.

Rev. Nathan Hunt, a member of Colby Eighteen have recently united on proba

seot. The work of revival is still advancing: forty or more have expressed a desire to be come followers of Christ Jesne. Fifteen have been received on probation,

have recently been baptized. The sacrament of baptism has been re-Brother D. M. True, at South Orrington Brother True and wife, who were severely ontinues Brother Lapham, the pastor of injured a few weeks since in being thrown

and are able to give attention to home and

A gracious revival of religion is in progress at North Sedgwick. Forty-five happy souls were present at a love-feast, amid the

inisterial duties.

drifting snows, Dec. 24th. Rev. G. W. Kelley, who has supplied the Congregational Church at East Machias for the past three years, has closed his labors solicited by Miss Minnie Roby, a young there.

Rev. Mr. Drew, an evangelist from Boston, is holding a series of meetings at Somerville, and there is a considerable religious interest awakened.

We see a report in the papers that Rev. Mr. Whittier, an evangelist, has been laboring in Waldoboro'. Over one hundred conversions are reported. C. A. P.

A Providence lady of the Unitarian faith has shown her appreciation of Zion's Her-ALD by paying for a copy for the last eight or ten years for the Old Ladies' Home.

Accounts from East Greenwich are very ncouraging the present term. The students are represented as being of an excellent class. The commercial department is unusual number of students. A great improvement has been made in heating the hall, which is now very comfortable.

Among the former pastors of Providence ciated in this city, have gone to their re- and gave him a severe beating. The comlearn that though Brother Otheman is now but the rough has not yet been arrested. 80 years old, he preaches every Sabbath, and occasionally three times on the same day, He has been sixty-two years in the minis-

try. His residence is Duxbury, Mass. Another veteran is Rev. Samuel Boyd, of the local ministry. No man in Rhode Island has labored more zealously in his day than Brother Boyd. But his work is done. He is confined to his home, awaiting in infirmity of body, but triumph of soul, the summons to enter his rest and receive his reward.

an extent very unusual.

Just over the line, an interesting dedication took place at Mansfield, Dec. 20. Ser- Andover, has resigned. Kendig. The church had cost \$5,912. A club. Wood having been donated to a balance of \$2,012 remained unprovided for. This was raised, along with a surplus of took their saws and axes, and spent the \$100. Emmanuel Church is now ready to day in cutting it uphelp poor societies. Great praise is justly due the pastor, Rev. J. Oldham, who, as chairman of the building committee, and in them come this year from all over the

CONNECTICUT.

East Berlin .- The Lord is graciously and mightily carrying forward His work at East Berlin. Dec. 28th, nineteen came forward to the altar earnestly seeking sal vation; thirteen of the nineteen expressed a hope that they had found Christ. This is but the beginning. Our faith claims the entire village. Sinners must come to Jesus, for the whole Church are praying for them. We sing the doxology, and feel every word L. W. STAPLES.

NEW HAMPSHIRE. Convention at Fishersville. - About sevference have united in calling a convention. Friday night, leaving their engines where the object of which is to promote scriptural ever they happened to be, causing seriou holiness, and an increase of revival power interruption to travel. The strikers have in the Churches. While we would carefulmanifested a belligerent attitude, and asly avoid all methods which have a tendency saulted an engineer who had remained a to mar the peace and unity of the Church, work against the orders of the Brotherhood we do earnestly desire more holiness in the It is reported that negotiations are now the enterprise to a most satisfactory conclu- Church, and more salvation in the world. pending between the company and the Ca The large number of ministers who have nadian government for military protection signed this call is very encouraging, and we of the road from further obstruction.

hope for a full attendance.

A most terrible railroad disaster occurred

The committee appointed to make the at eight o'clock, Friday evening, on the Lake hold the convention at Fishersville, N. H., to is known as the Pacific express train, while commence Tuesday, January 16th, at 1 crossing the iron bridge which spans Ashta o'clock, P. M., closing Thursday evening. bula creek, was precipitated into the water, An order of exercises will soon be issued to and seven coaches, baggage and express all the preachers, giving full information of the proposed meeting.

ars were burned. It is supposed that from 100 to 120 persons were killed and upwards

M. T. CILLEY, for the Committee.

of the preachers did not attend. Some six slightly injured and the train badly wrecked. supper, etc. Money and other necessaries of life were left with the family to the an ount of \$45.

A new temperance society, entitled "The Penobscot Valley Reform Club," has just hillsboro' Bridge, was elected chairman, proclaimed with great pump at Delhi as the emperance of \$45. Six were received in full connection with been organized in our city. It is designed and Brother Harrison, of Milford, secretary Items. - The Eaton Family School at Nor- as others. It is hoped that it may secure the Christian Homes," The effort was exceltemperance work. "They that are not tion, let me say, our unanimous verdict was

Skowhegan is to have a lecture course this over sixly bowed at the altar, seeking Jesus, nearly all of whom testify to having found pardon. The work has thus far been almost entirely among the young people, but those more advanced in life are beginning to yield. At Falmouth, Rev. H. W. Hamblin has been gathering up the results of last winter's revival, and is planning for another vigorous campaign. Out of the ninety converts.

Skowhegan is to have a lecture course this against us are for us;" and we devoutly that tobacco should not be used at all in any home, and especially in Christian homes, some preachers to the contrary notwith standing.

CATARH, OF FERMARGES FROM THE EAR, bome, and especially in Christian homes, some preachers to the contrary notwith standing.

The finances of the Church, or rather some financial methods, were fully and freely discussed and due decision given. Church levees, fairs, and the like were regarded as too often highly prejudicial to true spirituality. "The Needs of the N. H. the M. E. Church has received less than among those engaged to speak. The course hife, the history of which should be pre Conference" were set forth in a strong and half, but they have proved its own salva- will embrace other distinguished names.

Mrs. Hannah Reed, of Tremont, was one M. T. Cilley. A return to the circuit syselder, two conditions must be met, i. e.,

Very few revivals were reported, but more harmony. The largest revival is in vest of one million dollars for our cold Richmond, where there is no preacher. labored there awhile. Brother Hardy reare coming to Christ.

Brother Bean, of Goffston, gave us cipal has been obliged by ill health to leave Gospel to moral reform." Brother Norris, thoughtful essay on "The relation of the of Keene, preached the last sermon to the people, from Ps. exix, 9. At its close quite University, has engaged to preach during the winter for the Baptist Church in West ward and reconsecrate themselves to the work of the Muster. The association an thorized the appointment by the chair, of tion with the Methodist Church in Penob- Brothers Cilley, Quimby and Jasper, as committee to provide for the time and place of the next meeting. The people very cordially entertained the clergymen pres ent, and regretted there were not enough to complete the circuit. J. L. HARRISON. Milford.

Gleanings. - The chapel of the Bake Memorial M. E. Church, which was dedicently administered to three persons by cated Dec. 21st, is located on Warren St near State. The building is of brick, with wood frame and slated roof, and in size is 40 by 70 feet. The audience-room, with balcony, will seat some 500 people. It is furnished with two convenient class-rooms The windows are of cathedral glass. The inside finish of the chapel is ash. The pulpit is a fine one of black walnut, and wa presented to the society by Mr. John B. Watson. Certain other articles of furniture were presents from individuals. The clock and altar table were purchased with money daughter of H. A. Roby. The building is marvel of cheapness, costing with furniture less than \$5,000. The exercises of dedication passed off satisfactorily. A large con gregation listened to the sermon of Rev B. K. Peirce, D. D., in the afternoon, which gave excellent satisfaction; and Rev. E. A. Titus, of Worcester, a former Concord pas tor, preached a strong sermon in the evening. Various Methodist and other clergy men assisted in the services.

The Methodist society of Claremont was surprised with a Christmas present of aisle carpet, pulpit, and pulpit chair. The donor is understood to be the generous-hearted pastor, Rev. E. R. Wilkins, who made the pulpit and chair with his own hands. Both are as handsome articles of the kind as are often seen.

nearly doubled. Providence furnishes an tor at East Canaan, was assaulted by a Rcv. F. W. Johnson, the Methodist pas rowdy on Christmas night and considerably injured. The rowdy was one Barney Sulli van, a laborer on the Northern rail-road It seems Sullivan came to the church where held in great esteem by acquaintances, Rev. a festival was being held, and commenced Bartholomew Otheman may be reckoned. ringing the bell. Mr. Johnson requesting The most of those with whom he was asso- him to stop, Sullivan knocked him down, ward. Those who survive will be glad to munity are much exercised over the matter,

A donation party was held in the Meth odist vestry at Candia, Dec. 21st, for the benefit of the faithful pastor, Rev. Mr. Frye The Freewill Baptist church at Danville has been remodeled and put in thorough repair, and was dedicated Nov. 26. The pastor, Rev. J. A. Lowell, preached, and Rev. J. Fullonton and Rev. J. Higgins assisted in the services.

The Congregational church at Thornton's Ferry has undergone extensive repairs, and was reopened Dec. 24th.

The Methodists of Sunapee have been painting the outside of their church. and costing \$240.

Rev. F. S. Davidson, Free Baptist, of Eas

Christmas trees are becoming more and

more common in our Churches. Reports of various other ways has pressed this enter-prise to such a favorable result.

L. State. Numerous were the happy Christ-mas Church gatherings held, and many of our preachers were generously remembered by the people.

THE WEEK.

Louisiana is threatened with a dual gov ernment. Woodward, the private secretary of Bos Tweed, has surrendered \$200,000 worth of stolen property, and is out of jail.

The steamship Circassian, which went ashore near Bridghampton, Long Island, on the 11th ultimo, was wrecked on Friday night and twenty-five persons perished The vessel and cargo are both a total loss. Six hundred engineers on the Grand enty ministers of the New Hampshire Con- Trunk Railroad struck work at 9 o'clock A most terrible railroad disaster occurred

ecessary arrangements, have decided to Shore Railroad, at Ashtabula, Ohio. What of fifty wounded. A large number of the passengers, it is stated, were Eastern peo

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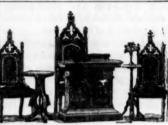
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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

First Quarter. Sunday, January 14. Lesson II. 1 Kings xii, 25-33.

BY REV. W. E. HUNTINGTON. THE SIN OF JEROBOAM.

In the revolution which rent in twain the kingdom of Israel, we find a minone sense he was a providential man, set up two golden calves.

and, as the leader of the revolt against pose. But he certainly fell very suddenly from the high place of a providential plan, as he sought by heathenish means to lay the foundations of a permanent kingdom for himself. "The sin of Jeroboam, the son of Nebat," is the sin again and again repeated in the

policy, half-worldly, half-religious, which has prevailed through large tracts of eccleways of breaking the second commandment." the means; and the divine character been degraded by the pretense, or even the sincere intention, of upholding His cause. And so the faith of mankind has been undermined the mode by which, with the best intentions, a Church and nation may be corrupted

Jeroboam built Shechem -a town of now became, under the new king of Israel, a place of some importance, who made it for a time his capital: although Tirzah af erwards became, first his summer residence, and subsequently the capital. Samaria, however, eventually deprived it of that honor.

Penuel - the name which Jacob gave to the place where he wrestled with the angel. "He called the name of the place ' Face of El,' for I have seen Elohim face to face" (Gen. xxxii, 30). This place lay somewhere between the river Jabbok and Succoth

It was an object of importance to restore this fortress, as it lay on the caravan road

Jeroboam said in his heart. This was sin. his suspicion, suppressed, unuttered; He made a house of high places - or and yet it was a strong conviction. a house of altars - a temple. High The motives which produce the acts of places, hills and mountains, were at men are frequently so deeply hid in first used as places for sacrifices; so the their hearts that no one knows them. term came to signify "altars." The If the motive is of doubtful morality, temple at Jerusalem had one altar. especially, it is generally carefully con- Jeroboam thought to improve upon the

house of David. He began to fear lest | Made priests of the lowest of the peoold religious associations; and Jerothrone if the new empire of Israel should tribe, or class, or province. continue to bow before the temple-altar Not of the sons of Levi. This is anothat Jerusalem. The religious instinct er evidence of the radicalism of the revof his very life, domestic and civil. tribe of Levi as the priestly tribe. Here The king was philosopher enough to see again Jeroboam dared to oppose a Mohow this instinct, cultivated as it had saic law. The economy which God had been to express itself at Jerusalem, would, if not diverted and employed in a new expression, become a weakening

If this people go up to do sacrifice, etc. Men's hearts go with their treasure The altar, where first-fruits are offered. and where the finest of the flocks and herds are given up freely and religious- of the seventh month according to dily, has a strange power over him who vine appointment (Lev. xxiii, 34), he makes the oblation.

In the house of the Lord at Jerusalem. The temple had cost the treasure and very people, no doubt, whom Jeroboam who united royal and sacerdotal funcking, to make these ten revolting tribes and offered, in the presence of the forget that visible dwelling-place of golden calves, the sacrifices. Jehovah. Religious affections cling to the house of worship where our vows The king could not minister at both are paid, and our hymns are sung. The very walls become salvation, and the gates praise.

Then shall the heart of this people turn againuntotheir God. Jeroboam was still his own heart. Men cannot make a jealous of the supposed power and right worship or religious system that is an of Rehoboam, who had under his control the favored tribe, and the cherished city and temple. He was determined to be king and to hold his power in antagonism to Judah. And thus he forecast the dangers which he thought lay people from deeply-rooted religious in the slumbering impulses of his

And they shall kill me. If once his people should grow weary of their sep aration, and turn with a reactionary im pulse towards Jerusalem and their old methods of worship, he thought his life would be endangered. Hatred might take the place of a fictitious loyalty, which a sudden revolt had created.

And go again to Rehoboam, etc. He was watching his rival with envious eyes. Jeroboam manifests that lack of confidence in the success of his undertaking which a consciousness of wrong is sure to produce. He is suspicious of dangers. His throne has no secure foundations. There is no great principle that of itself binds together his tribes and fortifies them against overthrow He must destroy the religious magnet that draws upon the hearts of his peo ple, or supplant it by creating another

The king took counsel - principally with himself, no doubt. After a man has settled upon a bad line of conduct, he is apt to consult only those whom he knows to be friendly to his purposes.

fore assuming the kingship of Israel, a uisites" during the last fifty years. resident in Egypt. The worship of The library idea, if we mistake not, bulls was a practice in that nation; that was supplementary, an after-thought; her.

keeping a firm hold on the religious furnishings. life of his people, he invented, or rather

of ease and convenience.

Behold thy gods, O Israel! The from the ancestral worship.

was the very "House of God" to the the mountains of Ephraim. In the time patriarch. The unity which the one and painfully even rows, and looked of the Judges it was destroyed; but temple had once inspired in the Jewish so uncomfortable, and so stiff, that one faith was now lost. Jeroboam not only strikes at the very heart of true religion by making idols of gold, but also seeks to divide his nation, even in this debased worship, by making two shrines. After the first great rupture of the Jewish empire, we may look for constant signs of disintegration and decay of power.

And this thing became a sin, etc. The step Jeroboam was taking was backward; not an advance towards a more spiritual worship, but a compromise with idolatry. He was attempting a reformation by letting go of the ancient religious customs, and seizing upon crude, pagan idolatries as helps rom Gilead to Damascus and Palmyra, and to a true worship. "This thing" besecured his frontier on that quarter (Jamie- came a temptation and a cause of degeneracy to the people - a wide-spread

Now shall the kingdom return to the method of national worship.

the people, after the first flush of their ple, etc., - from the extremest parts of Church until the present time. For revolt, would be dissatisfied with a new the people, representatives from every regime, which cut them off from their part of his kingdom; or another rendering may be, from all ranks of the peoboam knew there was danger to his ple. They were not from one special of giving; and would it not be of gen- in his eyes, she flitted away like a par-

as strong in the Jew. It was a part olutionist. Jehovah had designated th projected was set aside, and a manmade order of things substituted. I irreverence and outlawry once begin to tear down, there is danger that many sacred things will perish.

Jeroboam ordained a feast in the eighth month, etc. The feast of tabernacles, which occurred upon the fifteenth changed so as to come a month later.

And he offered upon the altar. He assumed the functions of priest, perlabor of a large proportion of these haps in imitation of the Egyptian kings was forming into a new nationality. It tions in themselves. He led the people would be a difficult thing, thought the in the new worship which he instituted:

He placed in Bethel the priests, etc. places. His newly-appointed priests took charge of the semi-pagan rites at Bethel.

In the month which he had devised of improvement upon what God Himself has instituted. Men's devices are all futile against or in rivalry with God's decrees. While Jeroboam was endeavoring by these changes to wean the habits, he was also dishonoring God.

ZION'S HERALD QUESTIONS.

From the Notes. Berean Lesson Series, January 14.

1 Tell something about Shechem. 2 How did Jeroboam show signs of jealousy of the rival king?

3 Was be an idolater ? 4 Did he intend to supplant the wor-

ship of Jehovah by idolatry? 5 Give some facts concerning Bethel and Dan.

6 How did Jeroboam choose priests! 7 How many distinct acts that were sinful did the king commit, as recorded in this lesson?

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL LIBRARY -THEN AND NOW.

BY REV. O. W. SCOTT.

In these days of centennials and "new departures," we have seen little

Two calves of gold. Jeroboam, it will advancement and improvement in the course, she had "lots more to do," and all the hateful things of the day, and be remembered, was, for some time be- library branch of Sunday-school "req- Johnnie had been the "provokingest" she felt, oh, so keenly, how hateful they

ty-first anniversary, Nov. 26.
Searching the records, we find that seemed wrong.

same words which Aaron used when he shortly after the organization of the the town Bethel, where God revealed pictures! The figures of men and "cuts," were often arranged in long below. would surely think that if they tried to and as she went slowly down the walk, bend they would break. Contrast this catalogue and assortment of books with the Sunday-school literature and our library to-day.

Instead of the meagre collection of our first library a half-century ago, today we have 1,500 volumes, the larger portion of which are nicely bound, and splendidly illustrated with beautiful and expensive wood and steel engravings. The "spelling books" have been superseded by books of history, story, biography, poetry, etc., and all, or nearly all, of high character, and inended to exert the best influence and inculcate the best moral lessons.

We rejoice in the changes that have in Sunday-school literature, and trust that these improvements are properly appreciated. What another half-century may produce we cannot foresee, and certainly cannot foretell.

We opine, Mr. Editor, that either Dr. Kidder or Dr. Wise could give us an interesting chapter in the history of one, I should be glad to peruse such an eral interest and value to the entire tridge, among the ferns. Church ?

The Family.

ADVANCE ! BY REV. H. B. WARDWELL

Advance! - the word is grand with mean

The watch-word of heroic souls: Dissolves the mists of idle dreaming And Truth's inspiring chart unrolls. It makes the struggling soul victorious It crowns the conquests of the brave: It makes the future's pages glorious, As shining beacons light the wave

Advance, past stormy breakers roaring, Brave mariner, upon the deep! Though round thy bark the wraith is lower

And wild the thundering surges sweep There is a calm and peaceful haven Beyond the white seas' tossing foam: and there are hearts with love engraven That wait to bid thee welcome home.

dvance, where rugged heights are frown

Swart climber, 'mid the mountain air Hold on thy way, all fear disowning, If thou would'st stand a conqueror there. Thus shalt thou gain the summit's glory, And see the grandeurs of the world; The sail-flecked ocean, vast and hoary, And far horizon's cloud unfurled.

Advance where duty's pathway leads thee, Pilgrim of time! for night steals on; There, there, celestial manna feeds thee And the sweet peace of God is won. trust in God for thy salvation! Cleave to the right, and onward move: And when assailed with fierce temptation Trust in the Saviour's conquering love.

Advance toward the eternal city: Shun every enterprise of wrong; God, who for man shows boundless pity, Awaits thee with the angelic throng. and there beside the golden portals Are loved ones who have gained prize;

Wearing the beauty of immortals, They wait to meet thee in the skies.

CASSIE'S TROUBLE.

BY REV. W. W. MARSH.

had dimmed its inner sunshine. And, things had not gone right with Cassie to-day, and she was, she thought, a very unhappy little girl.

In the first place, mother had waked up with one of her "awful head-aches" semi-centennials, of old customs and this morning, and this, of course, at once thing seems that I can see - all but spoiled her plan of a picnic at Round me!" or nothing concerning the marvelous Lake with the Horton girls. Then, of And then her thoughts ran back over boy that ever was; so it did not take were; and very clearly, too, she saw long to get things badly tangled with that sue had made them worse than they

is, the god Apis was worshiped through a development from the general growth And Cassie had been pretty cross not seem so natural, and even smart, as that symbol. Jeroboam did not wish, of Sunday-school interests. It would, through all the morning's work. To be in the morning. Somehow, things did probably, to annul the idea of the one, doubtless, originally have been con- sure, she had soon dried her tears, and not look so well on her side in the clear true Jehovah. He desired to worship sidered an extravagance, but with the she had only once or twice spoken sharp- air of her "nest." God through the image. He had be- progress of the century it has found its ly to Johnnie for his pranks, for she had But there was another thing that she come paganized in his faith. And as a place, and has come to be regarded as caught her mother's eye resting upon was beginning to remember, which

The beginning of the "library" in the "cross" away. It had been in her had given her a little prick, and told her bolism. Instead of the tangible em- measured by the standard of to-day, everything with an air which said, "I Johnnie, and to help her sick mother, gling of forces and counter-forces. Even blems of the cherubim, that were the exceedingly unpromising and unat- hate it!" She was not, for a moment, and whispered of Jesus and His patience, in the single character of Jeroboam chief figures in the temple, as they had tractive. The attention of the writer the sunny Cassie who usually fluttered she had been crosser still, and wished there seem to be counter-purposes. In been also in the older tabernacle, he of this article was especially drawn to and sang like a canary about the house, that she had never heard of the Saviour. this matter by the preparation of a his- making everything brighter that she The birds and lambs don't know any-It is too much for you to go up to tory of the Sunday-school connected touched. Even the feeding of her rab thing about "duty," she had thought; Rehoboam, was fulfilling a divine pur- Jerusalem. He put it upon the ground with his pastorate, and read at the fif- bits, and the watering of her flowers, and then she thought of the fairies, who

came to the people who, ever since the fit, the need of a library began to be and as mother's headache was better, The whole subsequent history is a record of Dan of the north, part of Palestine. were illustrated somewhat "with cuts," luscious cherries; the sunbeams were a fairy! This seems like a violent desecration of as the title page announced. But such playing bo-peep through the crooked Bending down, she looked into the Himself so manifestly to Jacob, that it women, boys and girls, in these the corn leaves came from the garden seemed to come rippling up from some

It was a farmer's garden, and all oldher from the wall; and mint and rosemary gave out a sweet scent as she brushed them with her dress.

She was in no hurry; in fact, she hardly knew her own plans; so she soon found herself standing with her hand on the latch of the little gate at the bottom of the garden, looking out across the pasture into which it opened. There were great blue hills in the distance, but nearer, she saw the sheep grazing, and heard the lambs calling their mothers Down to the left the cattle were standing knee-deep in the stream under the willows, and nearer still stood Jet, the taken place during the last fifty years family horse, with ears plicked up. In a moment Jet was at the gate pressing his soft nose on the little hand on the gate, seeming to plead with his soft. brown eyes for the bit of sugar which

Cassie so often brought. All about her was pleasant, and the little one felt it - only vaguely at first: and she stood in a sort of absent way, time-honored and divinely appointed the development of the Sunday-school stroking Jet's nose. But suddenly s library idea, from the organization of little light came into her eyes, and as if the Sunday-school Union of the M. E. awakin z, she brightened up with a purpose, and stepping through the gate, she closed it carefully behind her. Bidaccount as either of these former Sun-ding Jet "good-bye" with a light laugh day-school editors would be capable as he looked after her with a question

The foot-path led down the Hollow, across a little bridge, over the knoll, into the "sugar-lot," twisting this way and that among the rocks and thornbushes, as if somebody had made it in their sleep; but it was a pleasant path, for the smell of fern was sweet in the along the way; and Cassie knew every delight. inch of it, too. Down there, among those great maples in the "sugar-lor," was a nest, which was to her cosier and more "all her own" than any spot in the world.

It was a cool, sweet place, where the spring bubbled up under the edge of a great gray ledge. The moss was like velvet about it; the long brakes dipped down to it; and the long arms of the maples seemed stretching above it to bless it and to hide it. Two tree roots bent into just the shape for an arm-chair by the spring, and, nestled down here in the deep moss, listening to the low tinkle of the water or to the chirp of the crickets in the bank behind her, and looking up for the bits of blue in the tree-tops above her, Cassie found her fairy-land and "dream-corner."

When she was sad, and when she was glad, all through the summer days, she came here to "think." Whatever troubled her, or whatever was too bright for daily use, she brought here to be dreamed over. No one knew the world Roam as we may to find delight this quiet, visionary little girl lived in. down by the spring; and there were so many things plaguing her to-day, that she feit she must have "a good think" there alone. Questions that had troub led older heads were troubling her, and, shy and timid, she never thought of mentioning them to others. Indeed, she could not if she would, for she had no words to tell them; they were not clear enough to herself; so she just thought.

As she nestled herself down in a little heap, she thought the old nest never seemed so nice before. The spring was The dulcet symphonies we hear silver, and she could see every pebble on its bottom. Everything was so fresh. It was a fresh, fair young face against and all was so restful and quiet. A the back-ground of green leaves, and a thousand faint, woodsy smells were in little girlish figure that was framed in the air. She heard a cuckoo in the trees by the drooping woodbine. But there and the insects in the grass; nothing was a cloud on the face as if something was loud, but all was softened and peaceful. But as she lay there watchto tell the truth, this was so. Somehow ing the sky through the stir of the leaves, in spite of the quiet about her, the old trouble of the morning came back to her.

"Oh, dear," she said to herself, "what does it all mean? How happy every-

needed to be. Her crossness now did

resource in the difficult problem of an indispensable part of Sunday-school her with such a look that it stopped her troubled her more than this. She retongue at once; but it had not taken membered that when something within imported, this notion of Egyptian sym- many sections was indeed small, and, heart and on her face, and she had done that it was her duty to be patient with failed to bring a smile to her face; all like living flowers or human birds had nothing to do but dance all day long, But she had worried through the or lie in the shade, without a thought of set up the golden calf before the people school, in 1825, under the direction of morning at last. The dinner was cleared duty. It all came back to her now; her in the wilderness. This declaration the pastor, Rev. John Newland Mafhad little chance with her now. She as she did, for I have forgotten some days of Sinai, had been repeating over agitated. After considerable anxiety she was at liberty for the afternoon. It had heard that fairies had no souls, and particulars, and some parts I do not understand so well." and over again the first command of the and effort, about twenty-five volumes was too beautiful to stay in the house, the thought had at first shocked her; decalogue - "Thou shalt have no oth- were collected, and consisted partly of and had been as lovely all day, if she but now it seemed to strike her in a new siastical history. Many are the forms of decalogue—I not shall have no other worship in the Christian Church, which, er gods before Me." Whatever may the following pleasing (?) selections, had not been too blue to see it. So she light, and she wondered how this would worship in the Christian Church, which, the gods before me. Whatever may with high pretensions, have been nothing have been Jeroboam's intention as to viz: two copies of "Prayers for Chille had stepped out upon the back porch, make things look to them. She at once else but "so many various and opposite adhering to the worship of God, there dren;" one copy of "Jane and the shaded with its cherry-trees and wood- decided that they would have none of was the very strongest flavor of poly- Teacher;" one copy of "Mother's Cat- bine, and overlooking the kitchen-gar- the trouble she had over a little crosstheism and idolatry in this departure echism;" twelve tracts of various den; and she took in the whole picture ness, and that the sad face of the Savkinds, and a lot of Sunday-school spellat a glance. It was so fresh and restiour, which somehow was very like her Bethel - Dan. At the two extremi- ing books, etc. - not a very attractive ful that it soothed her more than she mother's grieved one, would never rise given by Master Frank. ties of his domains the king set up two list; and here let me not forget to knew. The robins were up among the reproachfully before them. And that by the very means intended to preserve it. calves - in Bethel of the south, and in mention that those early publications cherry boughs, holding a picnic on the wonderful fairy-land! Oh, if she were

apple-tree limbs, and the low rustle of clear water and wished. The waves underworld, and she wondered from whence. What if that spring came out fashioned things were growing there; from there? and wouldn't it be grand if she could just step in and wander the scarlet beans swung above her on away among the fairies? How nice to their poles; the sunflowers nodded to get rid of this daily work, of cross, provoking people, and forget that Jesus was always watching you. So Cassie half believed; and though she felt a little pang at the thought of leaving home, she found herself wishing for the chance to see for herself, and to try it.

While she lay watching the silver swell of the water, it seemed as if she screen, and she heard tiny voices sing- ready for sea; and when every prepa- was tipped over, and poor Prince was ing as she listened : -

" Come away, O come away! Fairy-land is yours to-day; Rise from off your mossy bed, Where the sunbeams fleck your head, Do not fear to ent r in Where no other child has been; We will show you wonders rare, Here and yonder, everywhere.'

nto the clear water: it did not wet her foot, and the way lay so level before dered on.

As if in waiting for her, was a group and singing in perfect measure: -

> "Come away, O come away! Fairy-land is yours to-day," etc. [To be continued.]

"UNTO ETERNAL LIFE."

[From an anonymous work to be published hortly, entitled, " A Voice from the Pews: or a Tabernacle Supplement."]

BY A MASSACHUSETTS JUDGE.

Adieu! Adieu! 'twere bard to part If parting were forever, Nor whispered true the trusting heart. "Tis but for time we sever." Nor a gentle Voice once beard on earth Had charmed the soul to cherish

The pleasures choice of heavenly birth Which never, never perish. Amid the bowers of Beauty, Or work by day and watch by night At the sceptre-beck of Duty, The soul will turn from riches reft. In passing Death's dire portal, And fondliest yearn for some sweets left Enlinked with the Immortal.

In starlit space we proudly pause The rapt and revelling Reason, And subtly trace the mystic laws That guide each circling season: But when we seem by visioned sight To have searched and known the Eterns Tis but a gleam of the golden light That glads the powers supernal.

In grove and grot resounding, The brooklet's hymn, the carol clear, Sweet echo's voices bounding. The melody of human tongue, -All barmonies terrestrial Are but the prelude of the song Of choristers celestial

The fairy form that flits in grace Through festive hall resplendent. The witching charm of Woman's face, With rose-tint wreath transce Age shall transmute; the spell be o'er. And dimmed the bright eye's flashes, As the fabled fruit of the Dead-sea shor In the pilgrim's grasp is ashes.

But the sunny cheer of Virtue meek That shines through the spirit-keeper hough Time besere and blanch the cheek, Shall lovelier glow and deeper; Aye, the mind may woo and the heart may

An Eden fading never. For the High, the True, the Beautiful, Are wed to the soul forever.

THE RESCUE.

A TWILIGHT STORY.

BY PLEANOR S. DEANE.

"Don't tell baby stories to-night, mother," said Frank Eaden. "Tell us one - Kate and me." "I like grown-up stories, too," said

Emmie. "Mama tells beautiful stories," said weet Annie, and Fannie was satisfied if mama only talked. "It is to be a 'grown-up story,"

then," said mama, " Shall it be true or fictitious ? " "What is fictitious?" asked Emmie. "Fictitious is not just true," ex-

plained Kate. "Well," said Mrs. Eaden, "I'll try to tell one of your grandmother's stories, though I cannot do it half so well

" You don't understand, mama?" "No. darling, because I am not much acquainted with the sea or the farm : so I cannot tell stories about them so well as one who is."

"Never mind, mother, you'll do;" was the respectful encouragement

So Mrs. Eaden related the following true story: "Your grandmama had an uncle who at one time lived on a point of land that ran out into a bay."

"What bay was it? If it's true, we want to know all."

"It was Buzzard's bay. This uncle had a wife, one or two sons, and ever so many daughters; and my mother from early youth had been accustomed to make them a visit once in a year or two. At the time of my story, all in New Hampshire, owned a large the children had grown up, married, Newfoundland dog, called Prince. He and settled in different places; and the was very intelligent, and often surprisgood old uncle and aunt were living ed the people by doing many very realone, and there was no house beside markable things. theirs on the point.

her, that she passed on, feeling her old Aunt Abby now could see was a man, you are a good fellow." life slip away from her, and a new one and advancing a short distance from Prince was very fond of the children, growing upon her. Though everything the water, laid him on the sands. They and would endure many hard pulls and was so new, she felt no surprise. She then returned to the boat, pushed away even whippings from them without felt at home in all new sights, and wan- from the shore, and made rapidly for complaining or trying to retaliate, as the ship. The light grew stronger, the song "Aunt Abby had watched these op- ning, however, and knowing that they grew clearer, and the air seemed heavy erations with momently increasing in- loved him, he would sometimes try to with perfumes; and as she turned at a terest. Now she was astonished and frighten them. One day they harnessed bend in the path, she stood in full view dismayed. She was entirely alone on and hitched him to a little wagon, and air, and the bunch-berries were red all of that which held her spell-bound with the neck of land. Her quick, accus- two of them taking their seats, they tomed eye saw instantly that the poor expected that Prince would give them man, whoever he was, was not in a a nice ride; but he did not like this arof tiny creatures, airy and graceful, safe place. The tide was at the turn, rangement. However, he walked off poising as light as a thistle's down, with coming in, and the place where he lay a little way, hoped that would satisfy

robes like gossamer. Closing about was below the high water line. She them, but Ned wanted he should run; her, they began to move, keeping time knew no time must be lost. The in- so he gave him several heavy lashes, as they marched, swinging their bells coming tide would surely wash him when Prince fell on his side, and, with barn-door. The oxen were in a field at the bars which she let down, and, harness, perhaps he has only fainted." calling the oxen each by name, she held out a measure of corn to attract time, and followed her to the cart, where, after allowing them to feast a couple of minutes, she laid the heavy thick pole of the cart, fastened it, and using the familiar language which oxen understand, she drove them across the field to the shore. The distance was an eighth of a mile. Arrived at the right spot, she turned the beads of the oxen, bringing the cart as near as she thought best to the sick man. Then she let down the back of the cart. The poor invalid watched her movements till she spoke to him. She told him the danger of his situation. She gave him cordial. She urged him to exert himself, and using all her strength, ceeded in getting him placed upon the bed. Then she raised the end of the cart, propped it, secured it in its place, gave the word to her faithful team, and they were in a moment off the sands in safety. She let the oxen walk slowly

> a word of cheer. "She could not alone get her charge into the house; but when her husband returned, together they helped him in and made him comfortable on a bed in a room near their own. Aunt Abby nursed him with motherly care and kindness, and little by little she learned his history. He belonged in an inland town, not more than twenty miles dis-

home, now and then giving the invalid

feared he would die without reaching home, and the captain, convinced that he would be unable to bear the land journey from the port to which he was bound, decided to put him ashore as near his home as possible. So the ship was turned out of her course, and the sailors did for him the best that they knew."

"Did the sick man get well, mama?" " No, darling, but the good old people sent word to his friends, and took such care of him that when they came for him he had so much revived that he was able to be taken home; and it was very affecting to see the gratitude of the man and of his friends to her who had saved him from perishing in the sea when almost in sight of his home. The children were silent awhile. Then Frank said, "That's a pretty

SECURE IN JESUS ONLY.

good story, mother; and Aunt Abby

was a jolly old lady, wasn't she?'

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness: I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name; On Christ, the solid rock, I stand: All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness vails His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In every high and stormy gale. My anchor holds within the vail; On Christ, the solid rock, I stand: All other ground is sinking sand.

FOR THE YOUNGEST READERS. PRINCE.

BY MARIA BRUCE LYMAN.

A physician who lived in a lovely town

One day his master went in to see a "One day, when uncle was away patient without tying the horse, leavfrom home, Aunt Abby, in her garden, ing Prince in the sleigh. Soon the chancing to look across the bay, espied horse became frightened at something was taken at her word. The soft tinkle a far off sail. She saw at once that it he saw coming, and suddenly started of the water on the pebbles seemed far did not belong to any of the fishing to run at a furious speed. Prince away; the birds and crickets she could boats or other small craft that used to sprang to the seat, and with his front not hear at all. She listened for them, anchor in the cove, and so, going into paws on the dasher, caught the reins in but heard instead a low, faint chime as the house, she adjusted the spy-glass his mouth and pulled with all his if all the blue-bells were ringing about and began taking observations. The strength; but the horse was not to be her head; and she could see a path, vessel proved to be a large ship - a stopped by a dog (he was too proud for opening away under the ledge where merchantman. As it drew nearer, she that), so he went on and on, while the spring came up. There was a clear saw the occupation of the men on deck. Prince still kept his position, unwilllight falling on it as from beyond a They were rapidly making a boat ing to give up. Finally, the sleigh ration was finished, it was dropped thrown quite a distance; but, springing into the water. Two sailors then got to his feet, he rushed up to the horse, into it. A strange load was carefully who now stood against a fence, where let down, received by the two men, and several men were ready to secure laid in the bottom of the boat. Other him. As the Doctor reached the spot. sailors then descended the ladder, who, Prince looked at him with a grieved seizing the oars, propelled the boat expression. His tail hung very straight. with powerful strokes across the water and he crawled to him as if he wished till it reached the shore. Running it to apologize for not being more suc-Without a fear Cassie stepped down aground, and one man steadying the cessful; but he was quite satisfied and stern with an oar, three or four of the happy, when his kind master patted sailors lifted the helpless burden, which him, saying, "You did well, Prince;

some children do. He was very cuninto the sea unless he could be speedily one long sigh, he dropped his head as removed. She went into her bed- if he was dead. Ned began to cry room, took off the bed, carried it out, aloud, and Katie ran into the house and spread it in the bottom of the ox- with tears streaming down her cheeks,

cart that stood in the yard before the saying, "O, mama, Prince is dead!" The kind mother appeared, as she near by. Many a time she had fed, heard the cries of her children, and stroked and petted them, looking into seeing Prince lying there so still, she their large, mild eyes. Now she stood ran toward him, saying, "Take off the

Ned obeyed his mother, very tenderly raising his head in order to remove them. The willing animals came, the whole. When the harness was off, Aunt Abby calling them kindly all the and the little cart was moved back, Prince opened his eyes and sprang up, wagging his tail and dancing about

with great glee. "Why, mother, I do think Prince yoke across their necks, lifted the was making believe," exclaimed Ned; ' for see, now, how well and happy he is!" And the children began him and to express their joy in seeing

him so lively.
"Yes, Ned," replied his mother, ' Prince was evidently grieved because you whipped him; and he had no way of telling you that he was very unccmfortable with those straps around his head, so he tried to make you think that he was dead. Now you know how you would feel if you had killed him; and, my children, I hope that this will be a lesson to you, to teach you to be kind to Prince and thoughtful of his comfort. You must remember that the poor dumb animals cannot speak to you and himself assisting all he could, she suc-ceeded in getting him placed upon the God will not be pleased with you, if you treat them unkindly."

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PLEASANTRIES.

"What does 'Good Friday' mean?" asked one school-boy of another. "You had better go home and read your Robinson Crusoe," was the withering reply. Rowland Hill was once requested to

preach a sermon to the elect. He promptly replied, " Have the goodness to mark the elect with a piece of chalk, so that I may know them, and I will preach to them." The request was not insisted

A famous usurer of Paris being on his death-bed, his confessor presented a tant. He had been staying in a South- silver crucifix to him, with a view to ern city in the hope of regaining his awaken him to a sense of his situation. health; but he had only failed in The dying miser, after examining the strength, and at last had taken passage cross with the most minute attention. on board a ship bound for a Northern suddenly exclaimed, "Sir, I can lend port. He had grown more and more you but a very small sum on such a ill every day of the voyage, till it was pledge."

The farm and Garden.

where manure is made. The litter is forms of the household, until they are always faithfully and cheerfully per

grown one, is sufficient. Horses, oxen, and cows may have one ounce daily, and sheep may be supplied with all they will consume.

Poultry. - If early eggs are desired, the pullets and young hens should be fed in the mornings with some cracked corn steeped in boiling water until it is only moderately warm. In the afternoons some corn warmed in the oven may be given. Between these meals some mixed feed of potato peelings, Mass., July 4th, 1843. house scraps, and wheat screenings boiled together, and seasoned with red pepper, will be useful. A cabbage may be hung in the yard for them to peck at. Provide a clean, warm, but well-ventilated house, and nests of

Sundry Matters. - Be careful of lights in the barns and stables. Safe and faithfulness every position to which lanterns only should be used. We he was called. He was courteous and have used the glass globe lanterns, gentle, without the least ostentation of its honored members. protected with wire, for many years either in speech or action - full of the without the least accident, or breaking milk of human kindness. Nothing for heaven, Nov. 19, 1876. one of them. Only perfectly safe oil seemed to harass or vex him; like the should be used. Devoe's and Pratt's smooth surface of a beautiful lake when oils may be used with perfect safety there is no disturbing element to ruffle anywhere. With these oils, if a lamp it, so seemed his peaceful mind. should fall, there can be no fire if it is But to speak of his Christian career. picked up again immediately. Choose He began his religious experience when a perfectly solvent insurance company a boy in the winter of 1857. Though in which to be insured, and take no young, his fidelity to Christ was unrisks. Keep roofs, roads, and side- flinching, and his confidence abiding. walks clear of snow. Ventilate the cellars whenever the weather is suffi- "In leaving my parental home a very ciently mild. A tub of water placed tender chord is touched; but my trust in the cellar on very cold nights, will is in the divine Disposer of events, and protect fruit or vegetables from freez- I propose cleaving to Him whose proming. Clean up all machines and tools ises never fail." He was actuated by dead, yet speaketh. and oil them, coat the bright parts religious convictions in all he did; conwith tallow, and cover them to keep sequently he grew brighter and brighter out dust and dirt. Prepare for packing unto the perfect day. ice by and by, or pack it now if possi- The Church of his choice lay very near ble. A few loads of saw-dust should his heart, always feeling a deep interbe hauled when convenient, so that it est in her prosperity and success. He wagon-box is filled, pile on filled bags institutions, and his hand was ever open to complete the load. Keep the shoes to charity. Said many of his friends to of horses and oxen sharpened or rough- his wife, when he was passing away, ened, and do not attempt to drive un- .. Oh, how much we will miss him in shod oxen; it is poor economy to save New Orleans, in his warm-heartedness died in East Livermore, Me., Nov. a set of shoes and lose half of their and sympathy toward us in our moworking nower.

27, 1876, aged 88 years.
Brother S. accepted Christ as his

Spreading Manure. - For some is in a pascent or inactive condition. and is not wasted during the cold weather. Those who may find it convenient | Christ in the earth." to use manure in this manner, can do no harm by making the experiment.

Dairy farmers cannot do better than the morning of the day he died in the learnest and decided Christian. No change and pastures as fast as it is made

Live Stock .- Regular attention to all live stock is very important. If an animal is only half fed, it is better that it be half fed regularly, as it will suffer less injury than if attended to one day and neglected the next. But it is poor economy to stint food. "The liberal soul shall be made fat." To see one's farmer, but money in his pocket. Regular hours of feeding, regular watering, regular rations, and regular rest, are conducive to comfort. With regularity there is no haste, no waste, nothing is forgotten, and nothing is done twice over. Animals then digest what they eat, and thrive.

SUNSET AT NOON.

BY REV. WM. MCDONALD.

A Christian wife and mother suddenly removed from a happy to a happier

Mrs. Lucy S., wife of our beloved brother, Rob't Hawthorn, of Grace M. E. Church, Boston, died at Newton Centre, Dec. 9th, 1876, after an illness of six short days, at the age of 42 years.

Seldom have we known a more inscrutable providence. In the prime and vigor of life, in the bosom of a happy home, in the midst of increasing The farewell expression of sweetness and usefulness, with a character eminently lovely and symmetrical, without the apparent frailty of her sex, and with no premonitions of approaching dissolution, she was called away. But sud-

Mrs. H. was not a member of the Methodist, but of the Congregational, Church. But from the time of her There's a light o'er her face that foretells the Church. But from the time of her church. But from the time of her union with Brother H., Jan. 13tb, 1869, to the time of their removal from the city, she cheerfully accompanied her city, she cheerfully accompanied her husband to his Church, and cordially united with the society in all matters

with the society in all matters and opens the burial ground. Then, robed in the vestments of glory, shall be of the M. E. Church, and enjoyed ber of the M. E. Church, and enjoyed below the society in all matters are the society in th

The funeral, at their home in Newton M. Smith, and mother of Rev. Wm. J. Centre, was attended by a large circle Smith, of the Providence Confer

BY REV. T. S. WILLIAMS

niably a useful man, filling with ability

Among his papers is the following:

' and all is clear."

passed to the mansions of the blest.

Beyond this vale of death,

There surely is some blessed clime

Nor life's affections' transient fire,

Where parting is unknown;

Formed for the good alone; And faith beholds the dying here

Translated to that happier sphere.

Obituaries.

LINES

BY MRS. S. L. LITTLE.

On the death of MRS. EMILY T. KENNEY.

Whose sparks fly upward to expire.

Where life is not a breath,

Beyond the flight of time,

There is a world above,

A whole eternity of love,

man hearts.

HINTS ABOUT WORK.

Feed-Racks.—Have a plenty of feed-racks in the yards. They save fodder, and prevent the master animals from driving weaker ones from their feed.

Carn-fodder or Pea-Straw should be Control for the conversed by Rev. Brothers but later, when the present Methodist Church cannot be conversed to that the control for the same for a number of years; but later, when the present Methodist Church for the same for a number of years; but later, when the present Methodist Church for the same for a number of years; but later, when the present Methodist Church for the same for a number of years; but later, when the present Methodist Church for the same for a number of years; but later, when the present Methodist Church was organized in this place, she scont transferred her relation to this Corn-fodder or Pea-Straw should be passed through a feed-cutter before feeding it to stock in pens or yards feeding it to stock in pens or yards then short, and the manure easily moved and spread, saving both time and labor.

In the boundary of the bousehold, dutil they are saways lattingly and cheerium performed. She was naturally gentle and to the joys of the resurrection life. Peace to her memory, and blessings devotion to her Saviour, and the cause of religion. She was a woman of kind Salt should be given regularly to every animal except poultry. Pigs should have only a very small quantities, motherless Helen!

Peace to ner memory, and olessing of religion. She was a woman of animal animal disposition, and possessing a heart sanctified by the power of a pure faith in Jesus, she silently won the esteem and love of all who had the pleasure of forming her acquaintance.

Descriptions of religion. She was a woman of animal disposition, and possessing a heart sanctified by the power of a pure faith in Jesus, she silently won the esteem and love of all who had the pleasure of forming her acquaintance.

Her religious experience was so clear and well-defined to her own consciousness, that to converse with her upon experimental religion was truly re-A young man of promise, both to Church and State, has passed to realms above — has gone to his reward; and class-room was always brief, but by his departure is broken one more link of the chain that binds together huwhich, to her, at least, appeared to dim Mr. J. Nelson Phinney, the subject of the vision of her faith; but as she drew this memoir, was born in Monument, near the closing scene of life, she gained the victory; for when too weak Mass., July 4th, 1843.
In the life of Brother Phinney, I she would softly whisper of "Jesus"

think we may truly say all the elements and "heaven." of purity were well proportioned in their An affectionate husband and five combination. As a citizen he was well adult children now mourn her absence; but, thanks be to God! all are known and highly respected in a large pressing forward with the eye of faith place, both in the social circle and in resting on the scene of a joyful reunion business relations. Here he was unde- within the pearly gates of heaven.

> The Center M. E. Church, of Provincetown, Mass., has recently suffered a great loss in the translation of three

MERCY M. LEWIS exchanged earth For several months Sister L. declined under acute suffering, enduring pa-tiently as "seeing the Invisible." Earnest, firm, talented, devout, faithful, and deeply cherished, she has left a bright record for her friends, who mourn her absence, but rejoice that she has exchanged the sickle for the harp, pain for health, and aloes for nectar. Her end was peace and triumph.

ELIZABETH WILLARD died Nov. 22,

Sister W. trusted our mighty Saviour who never deserts, nor betrays the con fidence of His dying children. welcomed the "king of terrors" as the warden of celestial gates, and being Susie E. Whitcomb suddenly de

parted this life, Nov. 25, 1876. The hope which lights the grave and homestead is the hope of reunion where death has lost his victory. With girded garments and trimmed lamps may the Church and relatives await their hastenwill be ready when wanted; when the gave liberally in support of her and her ing turn, not almost, but altogether ready is filled pile on filled bags institutions, and his hand was ever open ready "to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord." EDGAR F. CLARK.

AARON G. SNELLINGS was born in

Saviour from sin about sixty years ago, His Christianity was the Word hidden Spreading Manure. — For some years we have spread manure during in his heart, which not only gave him M. E. Church. During his younger the winter upon meadows, clover-sod an evenness and tranquility of spirit, years he was prompt in his attendance to be ploughed for corn, and ground but helped him to develop those lovely upon the public and social means of ploughed for spring crops. The practice is economical of labor, and convenient, and we have no reason to believe Writing to a lady friend from his home in the sunny South, whom he afterwards but he looked forward with hope to the that the manure loses any valuable con- married, he said, "The Doctor thinks I time when he would see and enjoy all stituent. The ammonia of fresh manure cannot live many years; I, however, am the glories of heaven. He died very resigned to the Divine will, and will do suddenly with diphtheria.

what I can to promote the glory of Mrs. Annie M. Kendall was converted in 1870, during the pastorate of Rev. S. C. Elliot, and died Sept. 30, As a dying Christian, all was well 1876, aged 20 years.

spread manure upon their meadows evening, whether he was a Christian. of earthly relation produced any change in her Christian character. She was Why do you ask me that question, Why do you ask me that question,
Doctor?" Said the physician in reply,
Sunday-school and the public worship "If you have any preparation to make of God, consistent in her daily walk, for the future, I would do so." "I have and clear in her Christian experience. Her natural amiableness and her Chris been getting ready for this event since my youthful days," said the good man, friends, while to her husband and two tian character endeared her to her

babes the loss is very severe.

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Dedication at Berwick, Me., 2 p. m. Lynn District S. S. Convention, at Union Square M. E. Church,
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Jordand Dis. Conference, at Chestnut St. Jan. 22-24 Church, Portland, Rockland Dis. Min. Asso., at Waldoboro', Feb, 27, 28 Norwich Dis. Preachers' Meeting, at

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Vermont, " 25, Barre, East Maine, May 2, Thomaston, QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

DOVER DISTRICT - FOURTH QUARTER. Jan. - 13 and 14, Newmarket; 15, Exeter; 16, Feb. - I, Sandows, 2 p. m.; 2, Hampstead, 2 p. m.

April - 1. Pleasant St., Salem.

* Will the pastors see that all the required RE-PORTS are properly prepared and present?

FALL RIVER DISTRICT - FOURTH QUARTER. Jan. — N. Cohasset, Hingham and Hull, 13, 14; N. caston, Centre Ch., 19; S. Braintree, 20, 21; Brockon, West Ch., 27, 28, p. m.; N. Easton, Washington S:., 28, eve.; Taunton, Central Ch., 29; So. Abing ton, 30; Rockland, 31.

First Ch., 17, 18, p. m.; Myrick's, 18, eve.; E. Weyouth, 20; Scituate, 21; E. Bridgewater, 23; Brid rater, 24, 25, p. m.; Cocheset, 25, eye.; Stoughton

7; No. Stoughton, 28, March — S. Hanson, 3, 4, p. m.; West Duxbury, 4,

April — Westport Point, 1, eve.; Fall River, Terry St., 2; Plymouth, 3; Sharon, 4.
S. Braintree, Dec. 21. W. V. Morrison. NEW BEDFORD DISTRICT - FOURTH OCARTER. Jan. - 15, W. Dennis; 16, 8. Yarmouth; 19, Barn-

stable and Yarmouth Port. [Remainder next week.] The District Conference will be held at the

assigned them, will give interest to the gathering by being present, and prepared. J. MATHER, Plymouth, Dec. 28, 1876. LYNN DISTRICT - FOURTH QUARTER. Jan. - 8. Somerville, Union Square; 10. Lynn, Boston Street; 11, Stoneham; 12, Wakefield; 13, 14, Reading; 14, p. m., Meirose; 15, East Somerville; 18, Broadway; 20, 21, Lynn. St. Paul's; 21, p. m., Maple St.; eve., Trinity.

[Remainder next week.] D. DORCHESTER. NORWICH DISTRICT - FOURTH QUARTER. Jan, -New London, 8; Sachem St., 6, 7, a.m.; Norwich North, 7, p. m.; Hopeville, 9; Voluntown, IC; Griswold, II; Jewett City, 12; Willington, 14; N. Manchester, 17; S. Man., 18; Lebanon, 20, 21;

Haddam Neck, 27, 28; Portland, 29 [Remainder next week.]
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W. H. STETSON, CONCORD DISTRICT - FOURTH QUARTER.

Jan., 1877 — Suncook, 13 and 14, a.m.; Hooksett, 14. p. m.; Tabernacle Church, 15; St. Paul's, 16; Colebrook, 19 and 21; Pittsburg (D. J. S.) 2J and 21; Columbia, 21, eve., 22. [Remainder next week.]
S. Newmarket, N. H., Dec. %. J. PIKE.

DEDICATION. - The Webster Square M. E. Church, Worcester, will be dedicated to the service and worship of God on Thursday, Jan. 4, 1877, Rev. S. F. Upham. D. D., will preach at 2 o'clock. p. m. Rev. R. R. Meredith will preach at 7.30. Former pastors and members, and the ministry and laity in general, are cordially invited to unite with us.

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LYNN DISTRICT SUNDAY-SCHOOL CON-VENTION. - A Sunday-school Convention for the whole of Lyan District will be held in the Union Square M. E. Church, Somerville, on Wednesday, Jan. 10, commencing at 9.30 o'clock, a. m., and con-tinuing through the day and evening. Let every Society be well represented by a goodly number of delegates, in addition to the pastors and the officers

PROGRAMME. PORENOON - 1. Devotional Exercises and Organization. 2. The Sunday-school Pre-eminently a Religious Institution, C. D. Hills. 3. Early Conversions, A. Gould and Mrs. Joseph Caller, 4. The Inculcation of Biblical Truth Essential to an Intelligent and Stable Plety, Chas. Young, T. P. Rich-AFTERNOON - 1. BIBLE BEADING: Topic, The

Need of the Holy Spirit by S. Workers, D. Steele. D. D.; 2. Piety Essential to S., S. Teachers, F. J. Wagner, and Mrs. M. J. Scudder; 3. S. S. Prayer-meetings, with Practical Security. meetings, with Practical Suggestions as to When and How to Conduct Them, T. B. Smith. W. P. Ray. 4. The True S. S. Concert — Religious, Rather than Dramatic, W. R. Clark. D. D. EVENING - A BIBLE READING: Topic, Early Piety, A. B. Kendig. Address; The Live Sunday-school, James F. Almy. Address: The Spiritually Baptized Sunday-school, C. S. Kimball.

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Marriages.

In Boston Highlands, Dec. 27, by Rev. C. J. Clark, assisted by Rev. J. W. Johnston, Albert F. Fisher, of Dedham, to Misa Auna W. Morse, of Boston. In Worcester, Tuerday, Dec. 28, by Rev. Wm. H. Sanford, assisted by Rev. S. Sweetser, D. D., Henry M. Smith, of Brooklyn, N. Y., to Lizzie P., daughter of the officiating clergyman. [No cards.] In Westfield, Dec. 23, by Rev. George Whitaker, Elwin C. Hilds, of North Grauby, Coun., to Miss Emily C. Loomis, of Westfield, West Parish; 19ec. 27, Raymond M. Cowles to Miss Izernia E. Lewis, both of W.
In Natick, Nov. 19, by Rev. F. Furber, Elijah Page ney, J O Woodruff, T J Wooden. C Wadsworth, W H Wright. to the Julian Cowley of the Market Research Rese mouth, N. H.

In Chesterfield, Dec. 14, at the residence of the bride's father, Parker D. Cressy, by Rev. Edward P. F. Dearborn, William E. Foster to Miss Neille M. Cressy, both of C.

In Chelnea, Me., Dec. 21 by Rev. G. G. Winslow, Hon. N. R. Winslow to Mrs. Caroline A. Haskell, both of C.

> tion of the voice. These incipient they may not look too closely at what is gosymptoms are allayed by the use of " Brown's Bronchial Troches," which if neglected often result in a chronic Feb. 19-21 trouble of the Throat.

An oriental traveler describes this busy scene, witnessed on historic shores: "Our steamer landed on a beach which was the port of Antioch, where the disciples were first called as the sleighs glide swiftly and smoothly Christians. There was no town at the water's edge, no people, no wharf. The passengers and the merchandise were put ashore in lighters, which ran up of the magic lantern, and other things that into the sand. A troop of camels, with their drivers, lay on the beach, ready to transfer the goods into the in-Kingston; 1', Rochester (1p. m.); 17, E. Rochester, eve.; 18, Union; 19, South Tamworth (2p. m.); 20 and 21, Moultonville; 27 and 28, South Newmarket; 29, Great Falle, High St.; 30, Main St.; 31, Greenland (2p. m.); 31, Portsmouth, eve. terior. Among the articles landed ing that they contained medicines and whence they came. These with other On the receipt of the subscription price of the paper and postage, it will be marked paid to January 1, 1879.

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A HELP FOR HARD TIMES .- HOW to get more from one's work or busiand how to make the most products, is very desirable information. tions" and "bulldozings" were true; like A good deal of such information is un-doubtedly furnished in the valuable American Agriculturist, whose an-nouncement will be found in our adverisement columns under the heading of 'Hard Times." — How the saving or extra production of a single small ob-Feb.— Berkley, 3, 4, s. m.; N. Dighton, 4, p. m., 5; ject as an egg a week, or one of several omerset, 8; Fall River, North Ch., 9; Quarry St., 0, 11; Brayton, 11, p. m.; St. Paul's, 12; Tauston, 17; St. D., 17, 18, p. m.; Martel's, 18, p. nouncement referred to. Read it.

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A. McKaown, Vice President.

UNION FAST DAY.— By vote of the Preachers UNION FAST DAY.—By vote of the Preachers of Boston and vicinity, it has been decided to hold a Union Fast Day servace, in Bromatid St. Charch, on Friday, Jan. 12, 1877, beginning at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing without intermission through the day. All the Churches are invited.

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I am fully satisfied that the South needs regenerating. It must be "born again." It has been scourged, but it is not sorry. In this I except, of course, a large portion of its people. Such men, for instance, as Gen. Longstreet who accepts the situation, and

LETTER FROM WASHINGTON. The last days of our Centential year are fast gliding away, and all will soon be numbered with those beyond the flood.

Ere these lines mee the eyes of those who may read them, the first day of our new century as a nation will have dawned upon ou Republic. When we think of the great advancement made during the years of the past, how from such small colonies, large cities, flourishing towns, highly cultivate farms, and pleasant, civilized habitations have spread from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, and from the frozen lakes of the North to the sunlit South on the Gulf of Mexico, the mind can hardly grasp the glori ous achievements that may be rehearsed a our next Centennial celebration. Ere then may not that great day shine forth on all the nations when the lion and the lamb shall lie down together, and the knowledge of the

Lord shall fill the whole earth? The season of festivities has so far passed pleasantly with us in the capital. Thanksgiving day was duly celebrated in all the Protestant Churches. Although the weather was wet and cold, the people attended divine service ere they surrounded the festive board; the sanctuaries were well filled, and hymns of praise and thanksgiving mingled with the chiming church bells.

During the past ten days we have had con siderable excitement on the question of closing the gambling houses in our city. Our best daily paper, The National Republican, published some well-written articles, telling some sad cases of sons, brothers and fathers who were robbed at these places, their fam ilies being left to suffer for the necessaries of life, because the money that should have furnished supplies had been spent for spir ituous drink, and lost in these dens of infamy

and theft. The Women's Temperance Union think that God is answering their prayers, and that this movement is another link in th golden chain of love and truth that is to sur ound our people, and exclude forever the demon, intemperance, from our homes. Our ministers have taken the subject into the ulpit, and two mass meetings are to be seld this week to discuss the subject. In the meantime, most of the gambling houses have been closed. Two or three have opened very quietly, and it is whispered around that our police (some of them) do not wish to watch, as closely as their duty requires THROAT DISEASES OFTEN COMMENCE that they should, the good of the public WITH A Cold, Cough, or unusual exer- and that money has been paid to them, that ing on in some of our fine houses used for thes: unholy purposes.

The revival still goes on, and many preclous souls are being added to the Churches We are having very cold weather for this latitude. The ground has been covered with snow for over one week. The boys and girls have a nice time coasting down our slopes, and skating on the canal and river, while the passing bells jingle merrily by on the white, frozen snow.

The children have had a merry Christmas. At most of the Churches, the Sunday-schoo children had Christmas trees, saw pictures make the heart of childhood glad. At all of these entertainments the poor were re-membered, and each pupil brought either noney or a bundle for some poor child. Congress has taken no regular recess this year, for the usual holiday that body is acstomed to sanction. The opposition seem to think that constant watchfulness is necessary to success, and therefore prefer to spend the Christmas holidays in our capi-

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WILL DO IT. tal, away from their families, that they may keep in view the administration and the Re-December 25, 1876.

LETTER FROM NEW ORLEANS. I did not believe before I came South that Hard Times. For City, Village, and Country. most of the people in the North, I thought that much of it was manufactured for political capital. Suffice it to say, my mind has

undergone a most decided change. The first thing which impressed me in Tennessee, Mississippi, and everywhere else, was the bitterness of so many people toward every body and every thing Northern. I have met lady-like women and gentlemanly men, to be sure - many of them; but still on all occasions that spirit of bitterness on the least provocation would show

Here in the South, everywhere you see and hear the word "Southern." It is used with a peculiar emphasis, as much as to say that whatever is distinctively "Southern" is necessarily good and right. Accordingly men talk about "Southern enterprise," "Southern civilization," "Southern industry," etc. Alas! the whole country shows a most deplorable want of enterprise, to say nothing of civilization, which in some regions scarcely exists. The South needs regenerating. In New Orleans I went to see some of the victims of the "bulldozing' operation, and listened to the pitiful tales of Eliza Pinkston, Cora Williams and Eaton Loggwood. The nation has read the story,

Eaton Loggwood is a very likely and modest man about twenty-five years old, and not very dark. He is a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church in good and regular standing, as I was informed. In his parish he was a leader among the colored Republicans. Being the most able and thrifty, Loggwood built a church and school-hou vention, and otherwise is convenient and commendable. The Burner has and commendable. The Burner has colonies. They were simple and cheap been furnished for the American Watch structures, to be sure, but they answered Factory at Waltham, at which there the purpose; but he was a Republican, and for that reason, and only that, he is hunted down like a wild beast and shot in the open day in his own door-yard while mending his wagon - shot by his white neighbors. At the same time his brother-in-law, Primus ment and residence, and can vouch for Johnson, was killed instantly. Loggwood them. The proprietors can be found at did not die, but will, his physicians say, in a 110 Tremont Street, room 35, Studio short time. No one can listen to the story of Eliza Pinkston, Eaton Loggwood, Cora Williams, and scores of others of these poor - Adamson's Bolani: Balsam for creatures, without feeling that the judgvexation of transfers in New York, but a continuous ride, in the same car, from Boston to Richmond and Danville all diseases of the throat and lungs. It ment of God must sooner or later overtake belonging to the same party. If all this "bulldozing" is to keep the colored people in subjection, to prevent them from rising, why is it that all the Democrats go unburt in the midst of such feroclous enemies? The colored people are not capable of any such plots; they are not a people given to outlid or tourist seeking the summer skies why is it that all the Democrats go unbur breaks and riots, but, on the other hand, are easily alarmed and held in subjection. Furthermore, the colored man is not a

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